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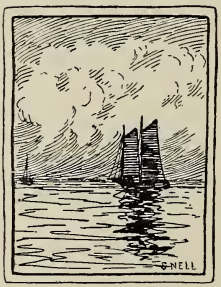


# RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered by Mr. G. K. Gilbert at the meeting of the Club on December 12, 1898, and were referred to the Board of Management for report:

*Resolved,* That the Club hold a special meeting to commemorate its twenty-first anniversary, the Board of Management being charged with the selection of the date and with all arrangements.

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be instructed to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a historical volume in connection with the commemorative meeting and report to the Club at a future meeting.

The Board reported March 13, 1899, as follows:

The Board of Management having carefully considered the resolutions offered by Mr. Gilbert at the meeting of December 12, relative to holding a celebration of the Club's twenty-first anniversary, and to printing a historical volume, recommends that the proposed celebration be postponed until the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Club, and that the Club authorize the appointment of a committee of three to collect data appropriate to a historical volume to be published at that time.

These recommendations were adopted by the Club, and Messrs. G. K. Gilbert, Robert Fletcher, and William A. DeCaindry were appointed the committee on November 13, 1899.

ASSEMBLY HALL.

## CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

COSMOS CLUB, *November 16, 1903.*

The meeting was called to order at 8.30 o'clock p. m., the President, Mr. Hornblower, presiding, and 260 members present.

The assembly hall was filled to overflowing, many members standing in the doorways. The speakers' stand was arranged against the center of the south wall, and seats for the members were placed in three sections, fronting south, east, and west. The room was decorated with ornamental plants and flowers, and the walls were hung with paintings contributed by friends of the Club as a loan collection for the occasion.

At the request of the President, the Secretary read from the original minute-book of the Club the minutes of the proceedings at the preliminary meeting held by the organizers of the Club on November 16, 1878.

After a few introductory remarks by the President, Doctor S. P. Langley was called on and delivered an address.

The President then introduced Doctor S. M. Burnett, who read an address prepared by Major C. E. Dutton, U. S. Army, one of the founders of the Club, who was unexpectedly obliged to be absent from the meeting.

The President then introduced Professor Simon Newcomb, U. S. Navy, who addressed the meeting.

The President presented to the Club, for its inspection, the manuscript of a documentary history which had been prepared in pursuance of a resolution of the Club adopted in March, 1898, and called upon Mr. William A. DeCaindry, the author of the manuscript, to give a review of some of the salient features of the Club's history. Mr. DeCaindry read and spoke at some length, dwelling upon incidents connected with the founding of the Club, and drawing especial attention to such actions of the Club as marked important steps in its development.

The President then introduced Mr. G. K. Gilbert, one of the founders, who delivered an address.

He then introduced Mr. William H. Holmes, also a founder, who said that the late hour, the heated condition of the rooms, and his high regard for the personal comfort of its members induced him to ask permission to submit a manuscript copy of what he had intended to say, and, in the language of Congress, "beg leave to print."

The addresses of the principal speakers are published herewith.

The Art Committee of the Club having undertaken the purchase, by subscription, of a painting by W. T. Richards, which had been on exhibition for some time at the Club, and which they designed to be considered in the nature of a memorial of this anniversary meeting, made the following report:

The Art Committee is pleased to announce that the subscription recently undertaken for the purpose of acquiring the marine painting by W. T. Richards, has met with most gratifying success. The members have responded generously and the picture is herewith presented to the Club, on their behalf, as a permanent memorial of the twenty-fifth anniversary. The sum secured

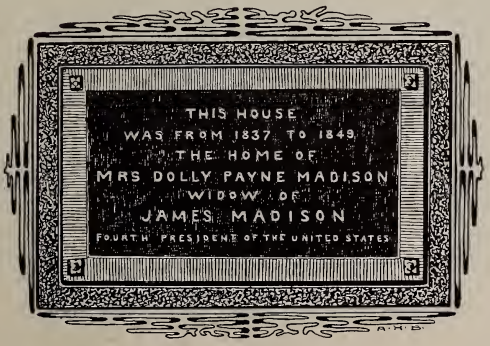
is sufficient to purchase the canvas. It is not yet suitably framed, and it is hoped to arrange for an adequate frame later.

The Art Committee wishes to take this occasion to state that while it is obviously impossible, in acquiring any particular work of art, to satisfy all tastes, it has been the endeavor of the Committee to recommend only such works as are believed to possess undoubted merit and a commercial value likely to increase with time.

After announcing that the Board of Management had decided to open to the friends of the members on the following day, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., the loan exhibition of paintings then on the walls, the President declared the meeting formally adjourned. A supper was then served.

Each member was invited to sign a register of attendance before leaving the Club house for the evening.

L. O. HOWARD,
*Secretary.*



PARLOR.

# ADDRESSES DELIVERED AT THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

## Address of Dr. S. P. Langley.

It is a very pleasant thing for me to join my fellow-members in recalling the early days of this Club, when I, though not one of its founders, enjoyed first its hospitality, and afterward its membership.

I am old enough to recall it in an upper story of the Corcoran Building, and its successive migrations, which have finally brought it into its present ampler quarters; and in all that time, but particularly since I myself became connected with the Smithsonian Institution, I have found it a scientific home.

Here were those whom the Institution loved and honored, and whom the Club loved and honored as its official heads. Here was Baird and here was Powell; here was Goode.

To take up the list of those who have belonged to both the Smithsonian and the Club, is to take up the list not only of my official but my dear personal friends. Mr. Goode and Major Powell I have already mentioned, and then there was Winlock, and how many others.

I have been a user of clubs, and have in mind several more or less scientific ones of which I have been an active or an honorary member, and which I may compare with our own. In Europe the first of these is the Athenæum

Club of London, in some respects the most exclusive but also the most notable gathering of scientific and literary and artistic celebrities to be found anywhere. Entrance to it is zealously guarded, but it has been said that once within its doors, you cannot ask information on a single subject of human interest that you will not find some one in the Athenæum Club who can give you the benefit of a master's knowledge, and this not in pure science alone but in every other department of thought. I have heard and seen in it not only men of science, but of every shade of opinion, including orthodoxy as represented by English bishops, and the striking ascetic figure of Cardinal Manning, whose deference to fashionable society caused him to be called so unfairly "the apostle to the genteels." There I have seen English statesmen, of whom I most distinctly recall Mr. Chamberlain. There, too, I have met how many times with Mr. Herbert Spencer, and there I have met the lights and leaders of literature and art, as well as of science.

But the Athenæum is a club of elderly, if not of old men. There are few heads there that are not touched with gray, and there is an almost too decorous solemnity about all its aspect. During the early years that I used to go there, billiards were hardly tolerated, and the billiard room was relegated to a sort of cellar, where I indeed often saw Mr. Herbert Spencer playing, but where it required perhaps more courage than a less distinguished man possessed to be seen. How different it all is from this our Cosmos Club, where we can meet so informally and so pleasantly, and where so many belong less to the past than the future. As years go on we may attain to frigid decorum, but I am glad we are not there yet.

Then there is the Century, of New York, which has, like the Athenæum, a large showing for literature and

art, as well as for science, but which, like it, is composed mostly of those who have arrived at the rewards of an honored professional life; and there are others, but none of these have exactly the characteristics of this Club of ours, that belongs not indeed only to young men, but yet to so many who are still touched with that enthusiasm that belongs to the age of hope. As we grow in years I trust we shall continue to follow the example of these older clubs, including in our membership together with the scientific workers, who must always form our strength, representatives of everything that worthily occupies man's thought, even the more that it may not perhaps be directly affiliated to science.

We are honored, for instance, in having some among us who represent the churches, and I could wish to see yet more. The Scientific Church itself does not claim infallibility, and yet to some of us does not a certain recent startling suggestion—that the universe of matter is perhaps not what science has taught us—to some of us does this not come with a momentary vague incongruous feeling as if nature was caught in disobedience to some dogma? We are perhaps losing sight of some of the old mental guides, perhaps of the old canons of thought even, and may be looking around us to see where we are with reference to the whole scheme of things.

One of the best preparations for a proper mind in which to meet such possible changes of scientific doctrine lies, then, in the catholic spirit in which we may look out on all life, not on the scientific life alone, and this spirit is fostered in a Club which opens its doors wide to all thought, and whose motto might be "Nothing human is foreign to me."

Youth is not the exclusive possessor of this spirit, but in the ranks of youth it may be found, and though I have

passed out of those ranks myself, to see the younger generation around me recalls the early days when my scientific life was pursued with a certain zest which only youth can bring to it.

This Club is connected with all my recollections of early years in Washington. My dear friend, Goode, used to tell me that it was my duty to come here very often, and if I have not always done so, it has not been from a lack of inclination, but of time and opportunity. I hope that I may continue to enjoy in the future all that the Club has been to me in the past, and I thank you for giving me the privilege of expressing my feeling toward it even in these few inadequate words.

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## Address of Major C. E. Dutton, U. S. Army.

Looking back a quarter of a century to conditions of literary and scientific activity in Washington we can readily understand now that such an organization as the Cosmos Club was sure to be formed. Washington had then become the most notable scientific and literary center of the country. All of those great bureaus for scientific investigation under governmental auspices and support, which are such conspicuous features of our system, were then in existence and in full career. The Coast and Geodetic Survey, the oldest of them, had long been in existence. The Geological Survey was on the point of being reconstructed and consolidated. At various epochs between these two the Naval Observatory, the Agricultural Department, the Signal Service as the predecessor of the present Weather Bureau, the Fish Commission, the Bureau of Ethnology, besides a considerable number of minor divisions in other bureaus or departments wholly, or chiefly, devoted to scientific and learned study, had been fully established. The Smithsonian Institution, whose official relations to the government make it in most respects the equivalent of a great bureau, was at that time conspicuous both at home and abroad as the representative scientific foundation of the country.

Washington was also becoming the winter residence, and in some cases the permanent residence, of people devoted to philosophical and literary pursuits, especially in the fields of history, sociology, and economics. Nor were there anywhere in the United States such facilities for research in these branches of learning as were contained in the Library of Congress, in the archives of the State De-

partment, and in the working libraries of the statistical divisions of the various bureaus.

It was almost a necessary consequence of this concentration of scientific, literary, and philosophic culture in Washington that the individuals who represented it should gravitate to some common center where they could add to all other advantages of the city that of mutual intercourse under the conditions of an ordinary club. Whoever therefore might have contemplated the organization of such an institution for the convenience of the classes thus mentioned had the principal difficulties removed from his path and found the primary requisite, namely: a suitable constituency, already here.

Up to that time the chief gathering place of men of that class had been at the meetings of the Philosophical Society, held fortnightly in the old Ford's Theatre building which since President Lincoln's death had been used as an annex of the Surgeon General's Office and the repository of the rapidly growing Medical Library. At those meetings the attendance was always large for a local scientific society whose routine meetings were held for the sole purpose of reading formal papers. There were no collateral attractions in the shape of refreshments, ladies were not invited, and the members were expected to limit invitations to non-resident visitors who had, if not distinction, at least a recognized standing, as devotees of science or philosophy. The place, while very suitable for such meetings, was by no means suggestive of social amenities. Long rows of shelves reaching from floor to ceiling, densely crowded with the works of all the descendants of Aesculapius, in their sombre bindings of black buckram and muslin, their musty odor of ancient leather and bookbinders' paste, their monotony relieved by a few colored chromos of human anatomy, might have been an attrac-

tive environment for the studies of Dr. Dryasdust. But it was less so to those of us who were just beginning our scientific careers and in whom the love of science did not diminish the love of good fellowship.

It was not surprising, therefore, that the formal sessions of the Philosophical Society should be followed by what some of us called the "adjourned meeting," which was held at a beer saloon on D street near Tenth. I am quite sure that Gannett, Gill, and Gilbert, who are still here to testify, will join with me in the assertion that these supplementary proceedings were in no respect disreputable, nor disorderly, nor even unphilosophical, though we had among us those who were fresh from the *kellers* of Heidelberg or Stuttgart.

There were also occasional informal gatherings of a more decorous nature. Prof. Henry was always a most courteous host in his home at the Smithsonian, and some of us can recall the pleasant social evenings spent there. Equally attractive were the Sunday evenings when Prof. Baird and his family were at home to their friends, and where the younger naturalists were made especially welcome. Indeed, for those of us who are of an age when life is becoming largely retrospective, it is impossible to recall those men without emotion which is deepened by the remembrance of the kindly, genial traits, which added grace and charm to the strength and greatness of their personality.

The time was ripe, then, for a club. The men, the constituency, were here and their number was increasing rapidly from year to year. The gregarious instinct is a part of human nature and the modern club is the natural field for its exercise. All that was wanted was some one to start the snow-ball rolling. And here I must have recourse to my personal recollections.

Somewhere about the last of September, 1878, I had returned to Washington from a brief excursion to New York, where I had dined at the Century with some of my old friends. One of the subjects of conversation was club life, and in the course of it the question was asked: "Why have you not in Washington a club like the Century?" Indeed! Why not? Advantage was taken of the first opportunity to confer with Major Powell and Col. Mallery upon this question. They took a favorable view of the proposition to establish a club in Washington on lines similar to those of the Century in New York. The same day I met Prof. Harkness in the lobby of the Ebbitt House and made a like suggestion to him. Though innumerable precious recollections cluster about our departed fellow-member, we are obliged to admit that Harkness was never an optimist about anything. In the present instance, however, while every discouraging feature elicited his comment, he took, upon the whole, a favorable view of the proposition. He even went so far as to promise to canvass the views of the people in the Naval Observatory and elsewhere—a promise which he at once fulfilled with gratifying results.

After another conference with Powell and Mallery it was decided to sound the members of the various scientific organizations in Washington, and for this purpose aid was solicited from Prof. Holden of the Naval Observatory, Fred. Endlich of the Hayden Survey, and Dr. Jerome Kidder of the Smithsonian, all young and energetic men heartily in favor of the project. The result of the inquiry was very encouraging. A fortnight later Powell invited those who had signified their favor of the plan to meet at his house to discuss the matter informally, and in a preliminary way, in order to elicit more definite and practical views as to the nature and scope of the proposed

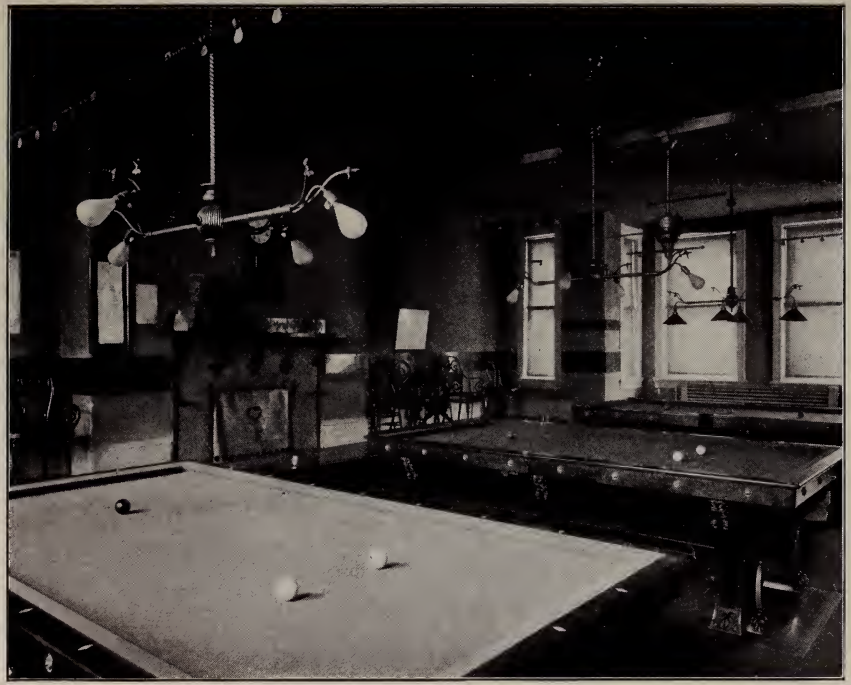
club, its scale of living and expense, its accommodations, class of membership and other details requiring the concurrence of prospective members before embarking upon the enterprise.

As I recall this meeting there was at first, as might have been expected, a very wide diversity of opinion upon these matters of detail. Some appeared to entertain very liberal views of the scale on which the club should be planned; others on the contrary had opinions which tasted much too strong of economy. But a tendency was quickly developed towards a just mean, in which anything like luxury or ostentation was regarded with disfavor, and only the essentials of comfort and the conveniences for rational intercourse were considered. In brief the tendency was from the first towards that temperate, simple, and thrifty line of policy which has always characterized the Club and from which it has never deviated since the first preliminary meeting. One of the subjects which called forth some debate was: What shall the Club's name be? This had been considered already, and Mallery had suggested the name Cosmos Club. It met no serious opposition; but one gentleman who had cultivated the reputation of a precisian in matters literary suggested that Cosmos be spelled with a K, and had the temerity to make a motion to that effect and debate it. The matter was soon disposed of by Holden, who offered an amendment providing that the word Club be spelled with a K also—"just for symmetry, you know."

At this meeting committees were appointed to make inquiry about suitable rooms, to draw up a constitution and by-laws, to inquire what provisions of law must be complied with and to prepare an estimate of the receipts and expenditures for the first year. Another meeting at which the committees were to report was provided for, when the subject of organization could be more intelligibly consid-

ered and measures taken to incorporate. The minutes of that meeting for organization, I presume, are a part of the Club's records, and must be in the keeping of the Board of Management. They are certainly much more authentic than my recollection, which is very fragmentary. I recall the fact that the committee on rooms reported at that second meeting that they had found rooms which they believed would be satisfactory in the Corcoran Building. A committee of incorporation was appointed and temporary officers elected with the understanding that as soon as the Club was installed in its rooms a new set of officers for the coming year was to be chosen.

From that time forward the affairs of the Club have progressed with remarkable smoothness and a singular absence of friction, more or less of which is usually among the probabilities in all new clubs. The history of the Cosmos has in this respect been exceptional. It has made good its title to the very modern benediction: "Blessed is the people which has no history." It owes its calm unbroken record of harmony and prosperity, in my opinion, to the original modesty of its aims and to the firmness with which those aims have been carried out. It has adhered to a cardinal principle in the late Lord Salisbury's policy of never undertaking anything which was not clearly within the limits of its strength. As a necessary part of this prudent policy it has been extremely careful in guarding the character of its membership by selecting those who were believed to conform in their tastes and habits to the standards which the Club had set up for itself at the beginning, and which it has ever since maintained. The experience of the last quarter of a century, with a policy whose success has been uniform and cumulative, may give us confidence that its future continuation will prove to be as satisfactory as it has been in the past.



BILLIARD ROOM.

## Remarks by Professor Simon Newcomb, U. S. Navy.

There is an ancient proverb which pronounces a malediction on those who have said our good things before us. Were such a sentiment allowable, I might perhaps feel it toward the utterances of Dr. Langley and Major Dutton, who have told about everything I had thought of saying of the origin and early history of the Club, and, to make the matter worse, have told it better than I could have done myself. Under these circumstances I must limit myself to some general remarks on the idea with which the Club was founded, and on its development during the twenty-five years of its existence.

The first idea was that some common sentiment or bond of union should be felt in the membership. This idea found comprehensive, and yet sufficiently definite expression in the principle that the membership was to be confined to those interested in science, literature, and art. Of course these expressions admit of an almost indefinitely broad interpretation. To the Committee on Admissions was intrusted the task of preventing at all times any undue expansion in the interpretation. I think we may congratulate ourselves on not having yielded to the temptation to enlarge our membership at the expense of the common bond which should connect us all. The result is that, while we have never grown wealthy; while, in fact, we still lack those external signs of opulence which are so attractive in an organization like ours, we have seen the death as well as the birth of similar organizations animated by more expansive ideas. Continually husbanding our resources, we may hopefully look forward to a gradual increase in our power of making the Club attractive to all whom we desire as members.

There are some features of our organization which are not only distinctive, but almost unique. I believe that almost every other club, here or elsewhere, has no other important purpose than that of affording facilities for the social reunion of its members, and for promoting some idea of common interest to them. But we had what almost might be called a philanthropic object from the start. Our membership has been, from the beginning, largely composed of members of the various scientific societies of Washington. These societies had keenly felt the need of a place of meeting. Such a need the Club supplied from the time when its funds permitted it to join to our house an assembly hall. But we did not stop there. We all considered it not only a pleasure, but almost a duty, to welcome to our midst the representatives of science, learning, and art from our own or other countries. Thus, every national society holding a meeting in Washington finds the facilities of the Club placed at its disposal, not only for the individual uses of its members, but, when our modest assembly hall will answer the purpose, for the use of the visiting society. We have not allowed any learned association coming here for a meeting, or any man of eminence in the learned world to visit the city, without, if the case was known to our members, tendering our hospitalities. We thus aim to show to the world at large what Washington is trying to be and to do.

We have never aimed at social distinction. We invite no one to our midst because he is prominent in the eye of the public. Yet, it cannot be denied that the bringing into closer touch of the academic and the political sides of Washington life should be one of our great objects. We shall probably have this object more in view in the future than we have had in the past. When public men are really interested in our object and our work, we shall welcome

them in our family. It must be confessed that, up to the present time, very little has been done in that direction. Several times we have had one or more eminent public men among us, but they have never been numerous, and when they dropped out in the regular course of nature, we have taken little or no pains to fill their places.

As to the future, I have nothing to suggest except that we should continue in our careful and conservative policy, never being in a hurry, always husbanding more and more of our annual resources, and adopting as our motto "watch and wait."

LAFAYETTE SQUARE.

From Club Windows.

## Address of Mr. G. K. Gilbert.

About thirty years ago Donn Piatt, the journalist, a clever and pungent writer, entertained the readers of the Sunday *Capital* by witty attacks on various persons and things. Among his victims was Dr. Hayden, the geologist and explorer, whom he dubbed "the triangulating Hayden," and who was goaded to wrath and misery by the weekly thornings. He turned attention also, once or twice, to Major Powell, but the result was different. The astute Major may have fumed internally—I do not know—but his visible action was to seek the acquaintance of the troublesome editor, and meet him socially a few times. There was no discussion of the Sunday *Capital,* there were no favors, nothing was done but to establish social relations—and the attacks ceased.

I recite this incident because I have been asked to speak this evening of the relation of the Club to science and the scientist; and because the principle of the Major's diplomacy is one of the fundamental factors in the service of the Club to the cause of science.

Those who search for the knowledge of nature which we call science, are unfortunately quite as fallible as their brethren in other walks of life. False trails as well as true are followed, and it is often hard to tell which seeker has chosen the proper road. So there always have been, there are now, and there must continue to be differences of opinion; and the concomitant of divergent opinion is criticism and controversy. The inevitable battle of ideas, whether fought in print or on the arena of the scientific society, is by no means to be regretted, for it has a winnowing function that could ill be spared; but there is always danger that intellectual antagonism may lead

to personal antagonism, that the heat of controversy may blind investigators to the community of their labors and interest, that egoistic ambition for victory may supplant altruistic ambition for the increase of knowledge, that paltry bickering may sully the honor and dignity of research. If the man who opposes our opinion is an invisible author, or if we meet him only in the arena of discussion, we are prone to be warped in our judgment and suspect that his attire conceals a cloven hoof and a barbed tail. But if we know him not merely as a rival but also as a man, we can usually satisfy ourselves that his anatomy is normal and inoffensive. It is a prime function of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, fully recognized by its leaders, that it brings men into personal relations and thus promotes mutual appreciation. It is a prime function of the Cosmos Club to bind the scientific men of Washington by a social tie and thus promote that solidarity which is important to their proper work and influence. The world but imperfectly realizes that its progress in civilization is absolutely dependent on science, and Government endowment of research is as yet limited, and too often thwarted, by a lack of understanding and appreciation. The influence of our scientific corps—an influence of national and more than national, extent—is strong in proportion as it is united, and suffers from every jealousy and needless antagonism.

There are no scales by which a social influence may be weighed. There is no logic by which the credit for a moral result can be fairly apportioned to its causes. But I fear no dispute in saying that suspicion, jealousy, and dissension were comparatively characteristic of the scientific body of Washington a quarter-century ago, and that mutual appreciation, good will, and support are comparatively characteristic of the greatly enlarged scientific body

of to-day. And I hold that the share of the Comos Club in the working of this change has counted for more in the promotion of science than has its hospitality to the associations that meet under its roof.

In passing now from the service the Club renders science to the service it renders the individual scientist, I feel that I must tread gently, for the ground is tender. Let me begin with the truism that in each profession are men of high culture and men of inferior culture, men who possess the clubable quality and men who lack it. Our Club was projected by men of a single profession, science, and it was by their invitation that men of culture in other professions took part in the organization. At an early stage the door was opened wide to the members of the Philosophical Society, then our only important scientific association, but credentials were demanded from all others. The principle thus established has never been abandoned, and the standard of admission has always been higher for candidates outside the scientific field than for those within it. The door has yielded somewhat easily to the touch of the scientist, but has resisted the push of the doctor, the lawyer, the man of business, or the man of leisure unless his personal desire was reinforced by the possession of high culture and clubability.

Thus it has come to pass that we of the scientific contingent have been able to contribute less of social advantage than we have received. We have come in almost unsorted, the refined and the crude, the apt and the less apt, the socially skillful and the shy, and we have chosen our associates with all the skill we could command. It is barely possible that we have "made good" in some other way—I hope we have—but, whatever may be thought as to that, there can be no question that our own outlook has been broadened, our angles have been rounded, our con-

ceit has been moderated, and in general we have been humanized by the good society we have enjoyed. I would not carry a metaphor too far, but there would be a measure of truth in the figure if we should call the present occasion a silver wedding of Science and Culture.

NEAR ST. DAVID'S HEAD, WALES.
By W. T. Richards.
Size of Canvas, 27x36.

## Address of Mr. William H. Holmes.

I do not flatter myself that I have been selected as one of the speakers on this occasion on account of any discovered facility in writing or renown in eloquence. The selection may, perhaps, have been because, in a sense, I represent the branch that paints rather than talks its ideas, and hence may be expected to be brief. Possibly, also, because I am a relic of the past—of the period when the pre-Cosmian elements were crystalizing—when a little coterie of congenial spirits, members of the Philosophical Society and others interested in various branches of science, gathered at a restaurant on D street to indulge in beer, pretzels, and conversation, little dreaming that there was any unusual potency in the foaming draught or that future generations would rise to call the occasion blessed. However this may be, it can justly be said that, had not the social suggestion there mainfested been taken up and fostered by the Philosophical Society of Washington, nothing would have been the result. Major Dutton and others have already spoken with authority on that phase of the subject.

But I am not given to reminiscences and shall merely refer to the early days of the Club's evolution, when such men as Baird, and Mallery, and Riley, and Goode, and Welling, and Powell, honored our meetings with their presence. Truly "there were giants in those days." Others there are, equally gigantic but not dead, and I may therefore not mention their names in this place.

Of the successive domiciles of the Club, it need only be noted that each in its turn gave way to a better, until the present historical mansion was occupied and remodeled.

Of the membership, it may be said that at first it included a mere handful of men, representing a narrow range of professions all essentially scientific; the Geological Survey furnishing then, as well as later, a large percentage of the elect, its cohorts being suspected, with more or less injustice, no doubt, of voting early and often. However, others can tell of those things better than I, and some one may find it convenient to give in detail the statistics of our membership with respect to the wide range of occupations represented.

The various professions represented in our Club may be roughly classed as follows:

1. Geologists, Biologists, Anthropologists, Chemists, and Astronomers—including many scientific men;

2. Writers of prose, poetry, and editorials—mostly literary men;

3. Painters, Engravers, and Sculptors—all men of genius;

4. Doctors, Dentists, Physicians, and Specialists—but no quacks;

5. Lawyers—but no shysters;

6. Army and Navy Officers—all heroes;

7. Teachers, and Professors, and some Educators;

8. Preachers and Ministers—all Divines;

9. Bankers and Financiers;

10. Designers of buildings—all Architects;

11. Statesmen, Diplomats, Secretaries, Directors, Chiefs, Superintendents, Chief Clerks, office holders, and others; some four hundred in all, and absolutely select.

As the case stands, I am justified in confining my remarks to the work of the Art Committee, representing, as it does, the æsthetic interests of the Club. I am not now chairman of that Committee, but, having held the place for many years may be permitted to say that, during those

years the Committee was renowned quite as much for the functions it did not have as for those it failed to perform. On the latter point it may be said that, although the æsthetic contingent of the Club should in all justice be expected to regulate matters of *taste,* the Art Committee has never been called upon by the autocratic House Committee to aid in mixing drinks or in sampling the soup.

A leading canon of art, according to the genial President of this Club, is that simplicity lies at the foundation of all good art, and especially of all great and lofty art. I argue from this that, so far as determined, the Cosmos Club has a fine show for future greatness in the realm of the æsthetic. It is everything to have a good start. The conditions are ideal.

Some years since a gifted sculptor presented to the Club one of his choice works cast in snow-white plaster. This was a beautiful intaglio head of a young girl, fresh and unsullied from the molder's hands. This, our highly gifted and artistic Mr. Marshall proceeded to place in a simple oak frame, reduced to the utmost simplicity by omitting the vulgar subterfuge of a protecting glass. He placed this charming work on the yellow marble mantle-piece in the front parlor where all could admire and where the silvery dust could collect and enhance the delicate lineaments of the maiden profile. But presently some careful but unsuspecting member of the House Committee, seeing the gathering dust, directed one of the numerous Cosmian servants to get the duster and remove what to him seemed offending particles, and the simple-minded servant got the mop and proceeded to scour the casting, and the delicate profile of the maiden met with a most inglorious fate:

> Three score sulptors, and ten score more,
> Could not make the maiden what she was before.

And now the Partridge masterpiece hangs high on the parlor wall, and Cosmian simplicity can claim to be at the foundation of at least one lofty example of art.

But speaking seriously, the Art Committee has really exercised functions of importance. In ordinary clubs the benefits are for the exclusive few, the interests of the community receiving no direct consideration. But the Cosmos Club is known throughout the city, and to some extent throughout the country, as a promoter of art and art interests. For many years it has held exhibitions covering the entire range of the fine arts, and this at no little sacrifice of convenience on the part of the Club members; and the public has been admitted to private views, to receptions, and to exhibitions, the latter extending over as long as ten days or two weeks at a time. The Club is thus pleasantly remembered and greatly esteemed by thousands of men and women who have no connection with us and no interest in our scientific activities. Had we suitable rooms that could be utilized freely for exhibits without embarrassing the fastidious and luxury-loving members, much more could be done to make a place for the Club in the hearts of the people of Washington.

This combination of scientific and art interests in a social club is unique and could occur only in this unique city. But there seems no reason why the good work should not continue, and with greater success than before, especially as our art membership has greatly increased. I therefore take this opportunity of strongly recommending to the Club that, when additional space is finally obtained, an effort be made to provide a large room or a suite of small rooms in which exhibitions of all kinds, scientific as well as artistic, can be held, and where the public may be admitted without interfering with the comfort of the Club. It is quite possible that we may thus

be able to occupy a wider field of usefulness and create for ourselves a still higher place in the affections of the community.

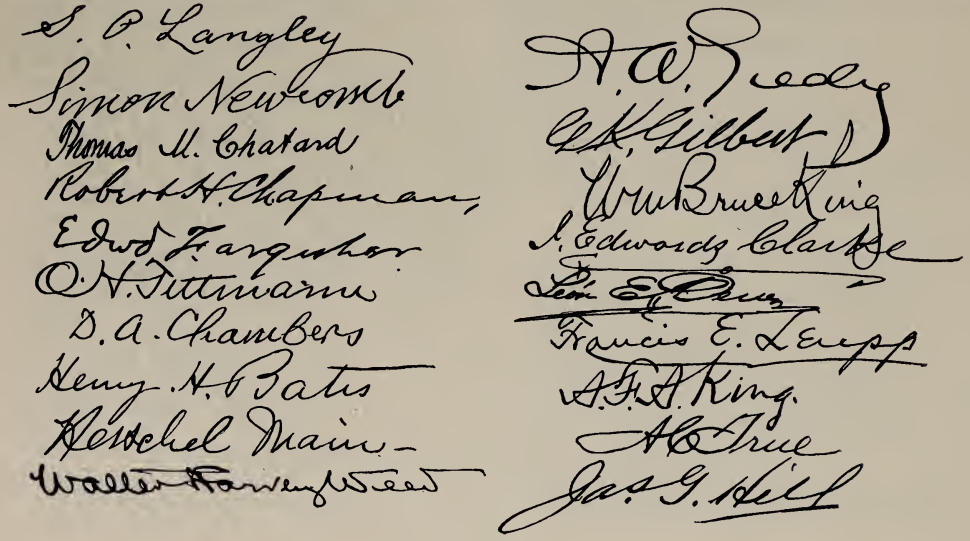
In theory and in fact, the Cosmos Club is composed of persons interested in science, literature, and art. The importance of science is recognized by all, but few realize fully the great place occupied by the other branches, especially their purely æsthetic phases, as elements of culture, and as a basis of the material interest of the race. The term "æsthetic" includes not only the fine arts—painting, sculpture, poetry, music, drama, etc.—but the non-essential, pleasure-giving elements of all art. Its vast range may be briefly indicated: If within this Club, for example, Science should in its cold literalness assume control and decide to dispense with all æsthetic features, the result would be more serious than at first might appear. The pictures, with possibly a few exceptions, would disappear from the walls and the sculptures and bric-a-brac would go, and all non-scientific literature, with its bindings and illuminations, as well. The rugs would loose their color and their patterns, and the walls would be finished inside as well as out with pebble-dash. All our artists and sculptors would disappear, and the poets would take to their wings; all architects would be cut off, for they fatten on the æsthetic; and devotees of many other callings would in the words of Mark Twain, "take their departure."

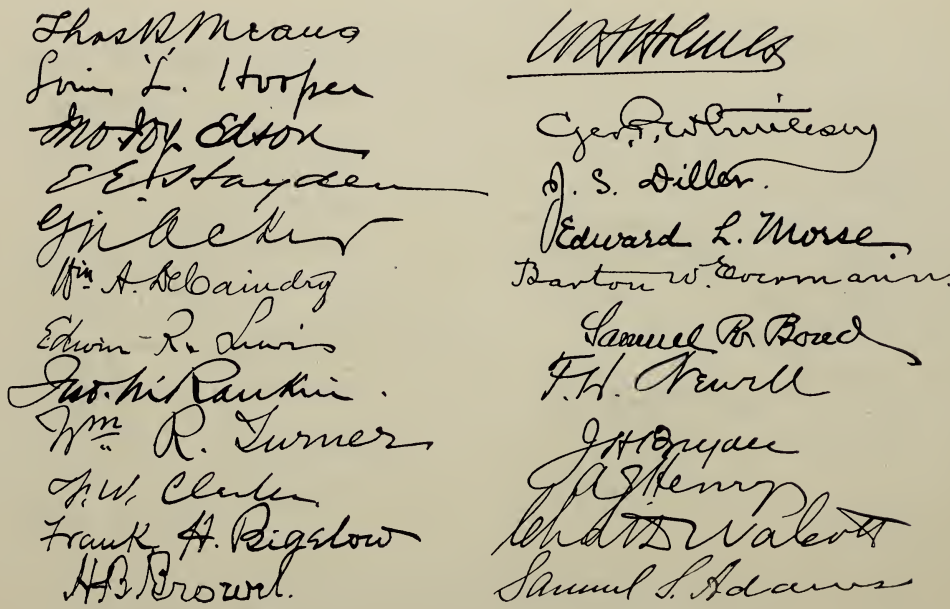
Because of these most weighty considerations, I do not intend to ask the Club, much less the House Committee, to kneel down and worship the representatives of the æsthetic in the Club—the Art Committee—but merely seek to encourage an appreciation of the field they represent. As to the Committee itself and its work, I have but to refer to the splendid result of its efforts on this occasion,

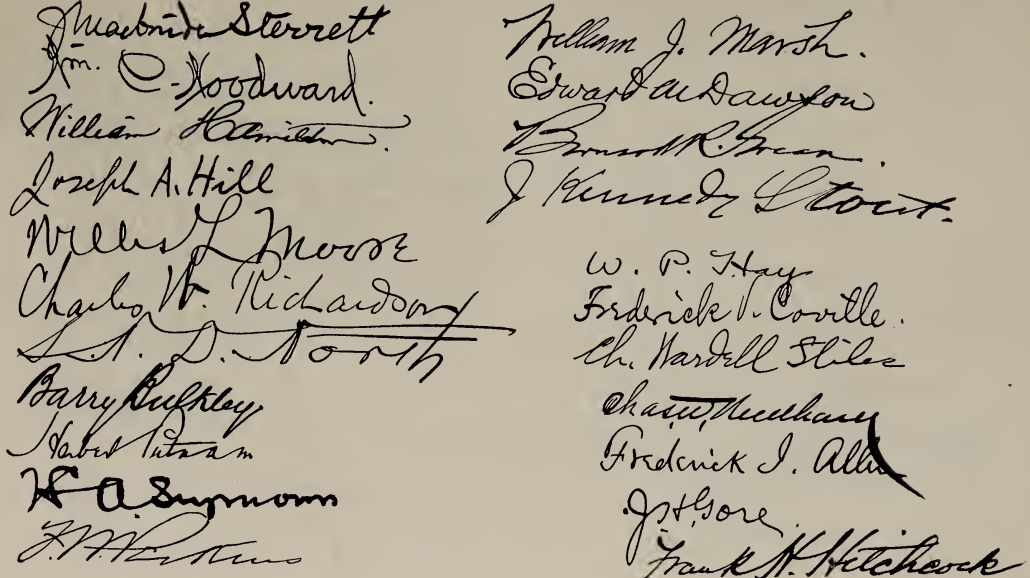
which a glance at the walls of this hall will amply demonstrate.

Let us hope, then, in view of all these considerations, that Science will be considerate of all interests, and that for twenty-five years more the Cosmian Lion—the scientific—may not refuse to lie down with the Cosmian Lamb —the æsthetic—and the other fellows.

SIGNATURES OF THOSE WHO REGISTERED AT THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY MEETING.







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J. D. Simons

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G. W. Littlehales.
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S. I. Kimball
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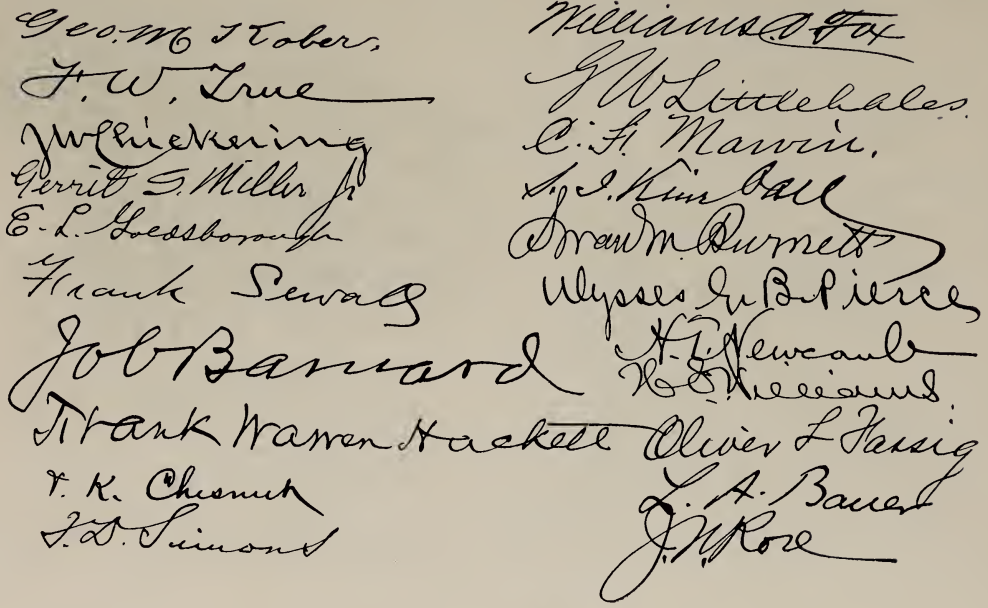

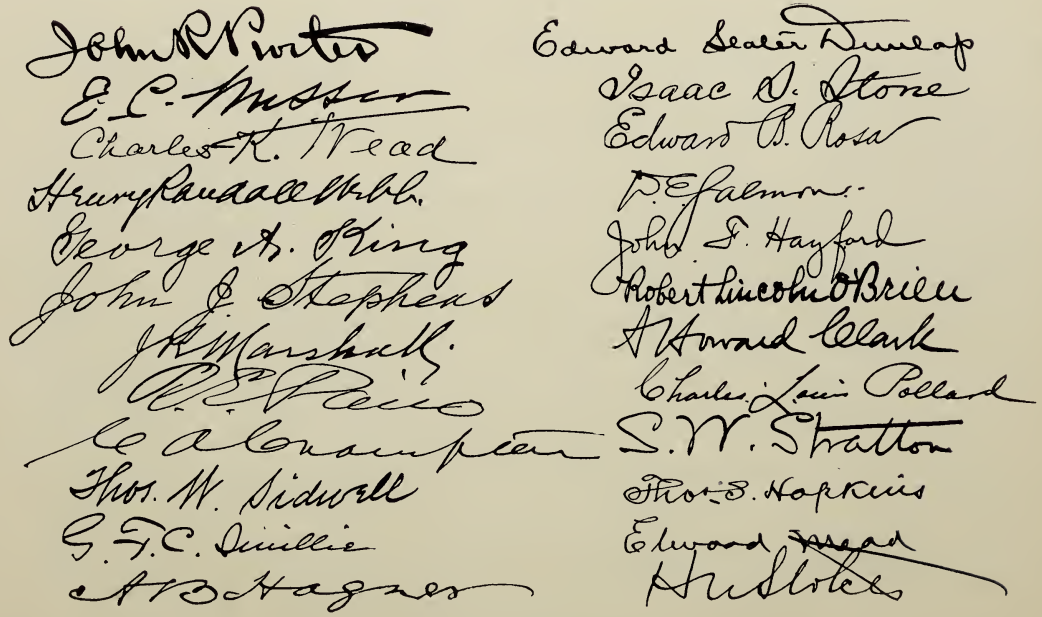

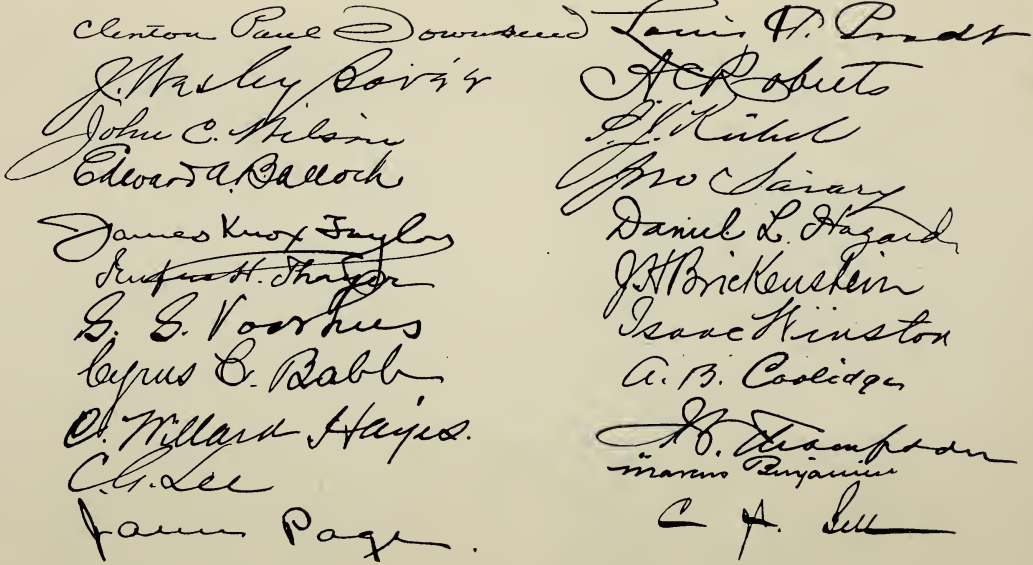

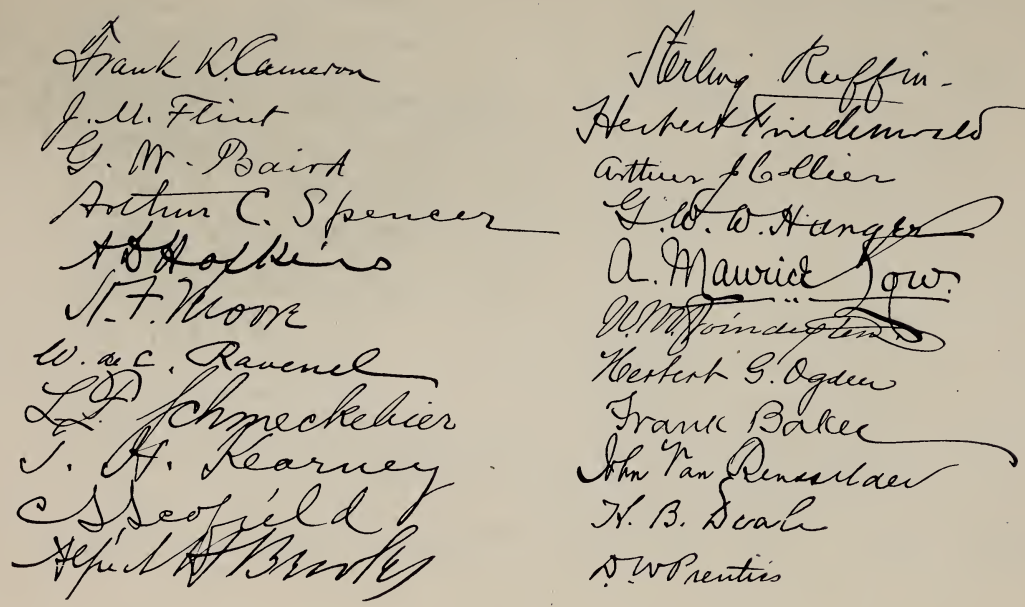

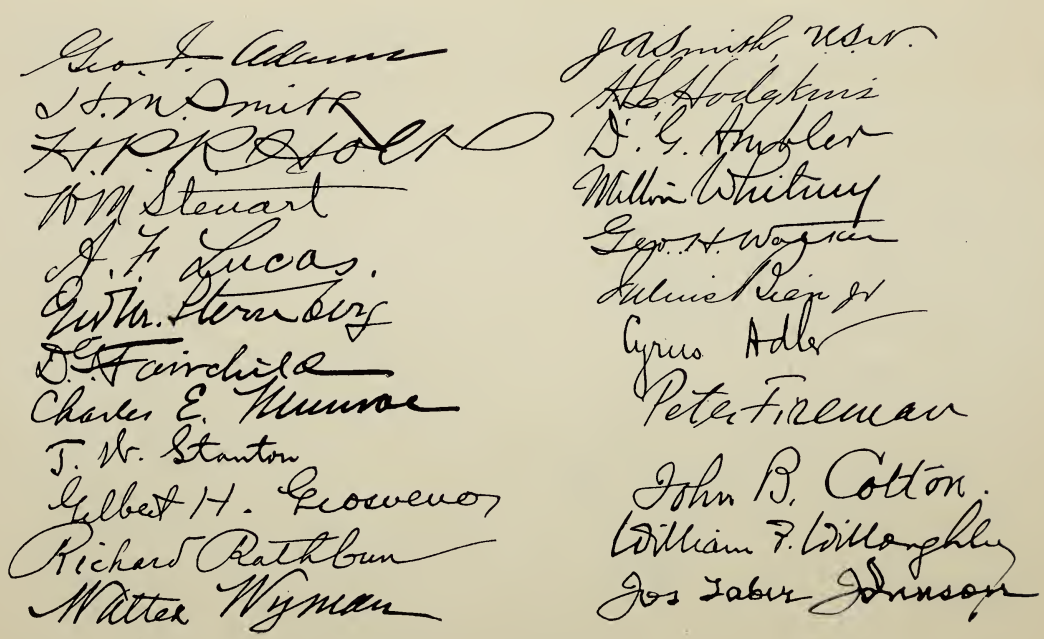

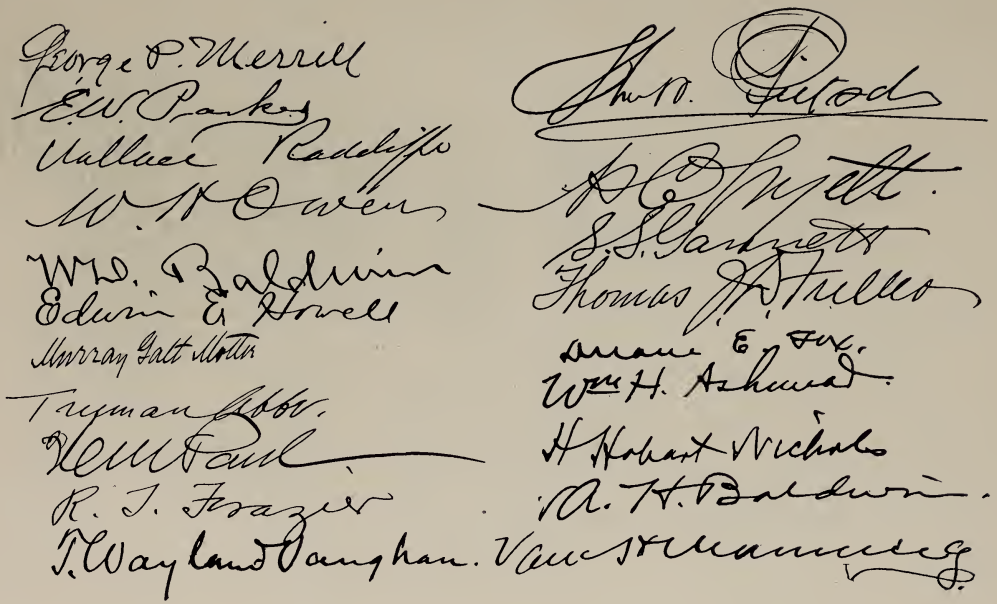

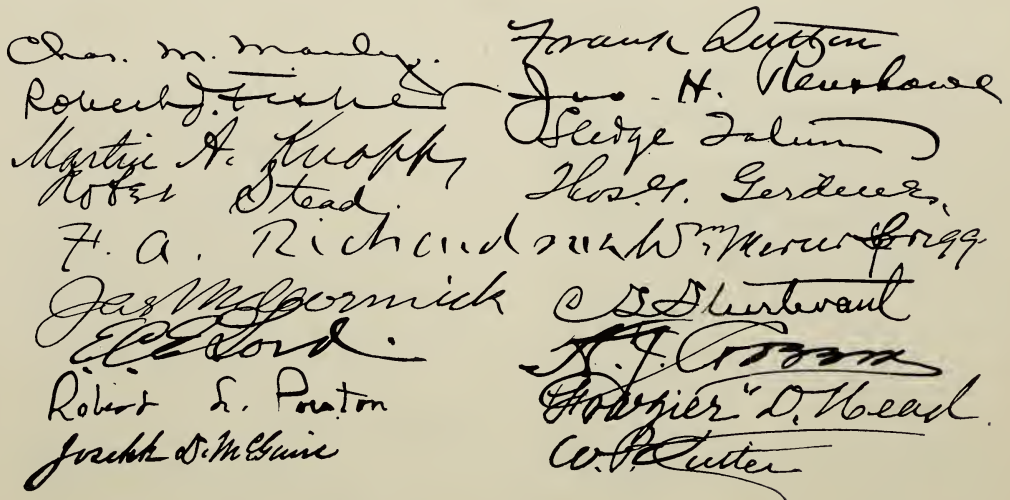

# DOCUMENTARY HISTORY

OF THE

# COSMOS CLUB

With a List of its Members from November 16, 1878, to November 16, 1903.

"A well developed public opinion and a good basis of traditions —such as we are rapidly forming—are in the long run better guides of policy than statutes—revised and re-revised though they may be."—*Annual Report of the Board of Management for the year 1880.*

The Documentary History and List of Members here presented were compiled from the Minutes of the Club, the Minutes of the Board of Management, the records of the Treasurer and House Committee, and from other sources, by

William A. DeCaindry,

Treasurer of the Club, and member of the committee to collect data for a historical volume of the Club.

# THE COSMOS CLUB.

## 1878.

**Origin.** A growing desire among scientific men resident in Washington, D. C., in 1878, for the establishment of a social club composed of men devoted to or interested in science, professionally or otherwise, led to the formation of the Cosmos Club in that year.

**Preliminary Organization.** An informal gathering of a few gentlemen favorable to the forming of such a club took place at the residence of Major John W. Powell, 910 M street, northwest, on the evening of November 16, 1878, and, after mutual interchange of views, a preliminary organization was effected as follows:

*President,* .....Major John W. Powell
*Vice President,* .....Professor William Harkness
*Secretary,* ..... Professor E. S. Holden
*Treasurer,* .....Doctor John S. Billings
*Trustees,*..Captain C. E. Dutton, Doctor J. C. Welling, and Colonel Garrick Mallery.

These seven officers were to compose the Board of Management.

In addition a House Committee was selected as follows: Professor John R. Eastman, William H. Holmes, and Edwin Smith.

**Constitution.** After some discussion as to the form of constitution to be adopted the company adjourned to meet

Circular of Invitation.

on November 25, 1878. The book containing the minutes from which the above facts have been taken, shows that before the company came together a circular in the following form had been sent to "the various original members:"

OBSERVATORY, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
*November 18, 1878.*

MY DEAR SIR:

At an informal meeting of gentlemen, held at the house of Major J. W. Powell (No. 910 M street), on November 16th, it was resolved to organize a social club in Washington on the models of the Century Club of New York and the Scientific Club of London, to be called the Scientific Club of Washington, and to be composed of "men devoted to or interested in science, professionally or otherwise." It is conceived that such an organization for purely social purposes is necessary in this city. It is intended to procure club rooms in some central part of the city which are to be open during the afternoon and evening only; to form a library of periodicals; to provide only extremely simple refreshments, at least at first; and, in general, to make a place where it will be possible for the members of the Club to meet socially at any time under pleasant surroundings.

It is estimated that a very small admission fee (yet undetermined) and an annual fee of not more than ten dollars will enable us to do this, if the Club can be organized with sixty members to begin with.

At the meeting referred to, your name was proposed as one of the original sixty members, and (if you were not there present) you will be called upon by one of the members to invite your presence at a second meeting at the same place on Monday night, November 25th, at 8 p. m. It is hoped that you will be ready to join us, at least for the year 1879, in order that the experiment may have a fair trial, and if you are willing to do this, be pleased to drop a line to the Secretary.

Very sincerely yours,

J. W. POWELL,
*President.*

EDWARD S. HOLDEN,
*Secretary.*

**Constitution.**

At the meeting of November 25, 1878, a rough draft of a constitution was adopted, subject to verbal changes; the fees and dues of resident members were fixed at $25 for admission fee and $20 annual dues; and a special committee, consisting of Professor Theodore N. Gill, Captain C. E. Dutton, Professor William Harkness, Major J. W. Powell, and Professor E. S. Holden, was appointed to examine and report on rooms for club uses, the majority of those present being in favor of a site near the United States Treasury building.

**Rooms.**

The special committee made its report at the meeting of December 2, 1878, and the President and Secretary were authorized to engage club rooms in the Corcoran Building, opposite the United States Treasury. Rooms Nos. 33, 36 and 37 were accordingly leased for that purpose.

CORCORAN BUILDING.

Plan showing rooms of the Club.

Name of Club.

At this meeting a vote by ballot was taken to decide upon the name of the Club, resulting as follows:

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| In favor of | "Kosmos," ..... | 4 |
| | "Scientific," ..... | 1 |
| | "Cosmos," ..... | 21 |
| | "Joseph Henry," ..... | 1 |
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The name "Cosmos Club of Washington City," as originally proposed by Colonel Mallery, was thereupon unanimously adopted as the name of the Club.

Invitation to the Philosophical Society.

The members adjourned to meet January 6, 1879, at 8 p. m., in the club rooms in the Corcoran Building. In the meantime, however, it became known that a few individuals had started, or were about to start, a competing movement for the establishment of a club. This movement had in contemplation the transformation of the Philosophical Society, which had a large membership, and which held its meetings at the Army Medical Museum, into a club. An emergency meeting of the members of the Cosmos Club was therefore called by a postal card, of which the following is a copy:

COSMOS CLUB, *1878, December 10.*

MY DEAR SIR:

Please be present at a meeting of the Club, at 7.30 p. m. Thursday, December 12, at the Army Medical Museum. You will then be asked to vote *yes* or *no* upon the question as to whether we shall, as a club, invite any present member of the Philosophical Society to join us (before Jan. 1, 1879,) as one of our original members. If the majority vote *yes,* this offer will be made to the special meeting of the Philosophical Society, at 8 p. m.

EDWARD S. HOLDEN,
*Secretary, pro tem.*

CORCORAN BUILDING.

From January, 1879, to December 31, 1882, the quarters of the Cosmos Club were in rooms facing Pennsylvania Avenue and 15th street, in the third story of the Corcoran Building, shown in the picture at the corner on the left.

At this meeting the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved,* That Dr. Welling be requested to state to the members of the Philosophical Society of Washington that at the last meeting of the Cosmos Club a resolution was unanimously adopted inviting any present member of the Philosophical Society who wishes to become a member of the Cosmos Club to attend a meeting of the present members of the Club, to be held on the evening of Monday, December 16, at 8 p. m., at the house of Major Powell, 910 M street, N. W.

This office was gracefully performed by Doctor Welling at the Philosophical Society's special meeting of December 12, 1878, and on December 13, 1878, the following invitation was sent to members of the Philosophical Society requesting their presence at a meeting of the Club to be held on December 16, 1878:

COSMOS CLUB, *1878, December 13.*

MY DEAR SIR:

At a meeting of the Cosmos Club, held December 12, the following resolution was adopted:

"*Resolved,* That Dr. Welling be requested to state to the members of the Philosophical Society of Washington that, at the last meeting of the Cosmos Club, a resolution was unanimously adopted inviting any present member of the Philosophical Society who wishes to become a member of the Club, to attend a meeting of the present members of the Club, to be held on the evening of Monday, 16th instant, at 8 o'clock, at the house of Major J. W. Powell, 910 M street, N. W."

This was duly presented, and in accordance with its provisions you are specially requested to be present at that meeting.

EDWARD S. HOLDEN,
*Secretary, pro tem.*

By this timely counter move several new members were added to the Club, and the proposed disturbance of the organization of the Philosophical Society was averted.

Incorporation of the Club.

On December 13, 1878, the Club was incorporated under the following articles of incorporation:

This is to certify, that we whose names are hereunto subscribed, citizens of the United States and a majority of whom are citizens of the District of Columbia, have associated ourselves together, pursuant to the provisions of sections 545 and 552 inclusive, of the Revised Statutes of the United States relative to the District of Columbia, under the corporate name of the "COSMOS CLUB."

The particular objects and business of this association are the advancement of its members in science, literature and art, their mutual improvement by social intercourse, the acquisition and maintenance of a library, and the collection and care of materials and appliances relating to the above objects, under the restrictions and regulations established in its by-laws.

The affairs, funds and property of the corporation shall be in the general charge of a Board of Management, the number of whose members for the first year shall be seven, consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three Trustees, all of whom shall be chosen by ballot from among the members at their annual meeting.

Other officers and standing committees with their duties and the term and manner of their election and appointment shall be provided for in the by-laws.

Witness our hands and seals this thirteenth day of December, A. D. 1878.

J. W. POWELL, [L. S.]
EDWARD S. HOLDEN, [L. S.]
JAMES C. WELLING, [L. S.]
THEO. GILL, [L. S.]
CLARENCE E. DUTTON, [L. S.]
W. M. MEW, [L. S.]
F. M. ENDLICH, [L. S.]
HENRY GANNETT, [L. S.]
GARRICK MALLERY, [L. S.]
WM. HARKNESS, [L. S.]

*District of Columbia, ss*:

I, Louis Schade, a Notary Public in and for the District aforesaid, do hereby certify that J. W. Powell, Edward S. Holden,

James C. Welling, Theo. Gill, Clarence E. Dutton, W. M. Mew, F. M. Endlich, Henry Gannett, Garrick Mallery and Wm. Harkness, parties to the foregoing certificate of incorporation bearing date on the thirteenth day of December, A. D. 1878, personally appeared before me, in the District aforesaid, they being personally well known to me to be the persons who executed the said certificate, and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein named.

Given under my hand and notarial seal, this thirteenth day of December, A. D. 1878.

LOUIS SCHADE,
*Notary Public.*

Received for record December 13, 1878, and recorded in Liber No. 3, folio 4, one of the Records of the Acts of Incorporation for the District of Columbia, and examined by

GEO. F. SCHAYER,
*Dep. Recorder.*

**Election of Officers.**

The incorporators whose names are appended to the foregoing articles of incorporation assembled at noon December 13, 1878, in the Army Medical Museum, on 10th street, northwest, between F and G streets, and, after associating with them Doctor John S. Billings as a member, proceeded to an election of officers, which resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Major John W. Powell
*Vice President,* .....Professor William Harkness
*Secretary,* .....Professor E. S. Holden
*Treasurer,* .....Doctor John S. Billings
*Trustees,* ....Captain C. E. Dutton, Doctor J. C. Welling, and Colonel Garrick Mallery.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the incorporators at this meeting:

By-Laws and Association of Members.

*Resolved,* That this meeting now adjourn to meet at the club rooms on January 6, 1879, at 7 p. m., at which time by-laws and rules and regulations shall be adopted and additional members shall be associated as members of the Club.

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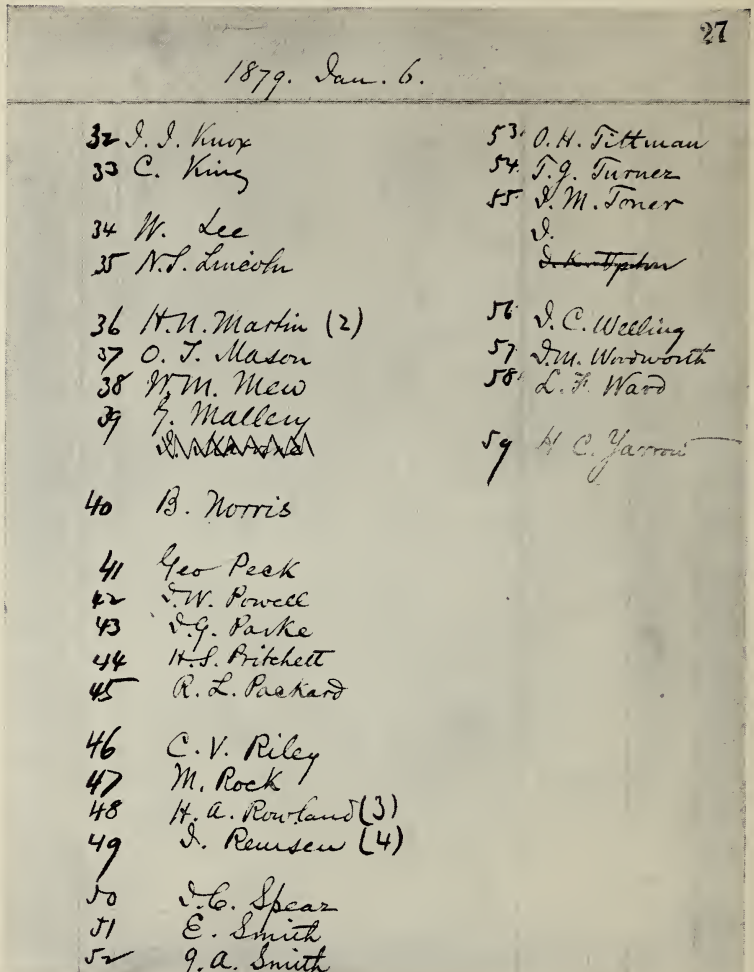
1879. Jan. 6.

On motion of Col. Malley, seconded by Br. Holden it was unanimously Resolved, that the persons named on the following list be associated as members of the Club.

1 B. Alvord,
2 H. Adams,
3 N. L. Bates,
4 J. F. Baird,
5 E. Bessels,
6 C. S. Billings,
7 M. Bailey,
8 J. Curtis,
9 J. V. Chickering
10 J. E. Clark
11 J. F. Dwight,
12 C. H. Davis,
13 C. E. Dutton,
14 W. Eimbeck,
15 J. R. Eastman,
16 J. M. Endrich
17 E. B. Elliott
18 R. Fletcher,
19 E. M. Gallaudet,
20 J. C. Gilbert,
21 J. N. Gill,
22 E. Goodfellow,
23 H. Gannett,
24 F. A. Gunnell,
25 D. C. Gilman (1)
26 W. Hasbrouck
27 E. S. Holden
28 B. S. Hedrick
29 W. H. Holmes
30 H. W. Henshaw
31 N. W. Howgate

FOUNDERS.



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1879. Jan. 6.

32 J. J. Knox
33 C. King
34 W. Lee
35 N. S. Lincoln
36 H. N. Martin (2)
37 O. T. Mason
38 W. M. Mew
39 G. Mallery
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40 B. Norris
41 Geo Peck
42 J. W. Powell
43 J. G. Parke
44 H. S. Pritchett
45 R. L. Packard
46 C. V. Riley
47 M. Rock
48 H. A. Rowland (3)
49 J. Remsen (4)
50 J. C. Spear
51 E. Smith
52 J. A. Smith
53 O. H. Tittman
54 T. G. Turner
55 J. M. Toner
J.
~~J. K. Upton~~
56 J. C. Welling
57 J. M. Woodworth
58 L. F. Ward
59 H. C. Yarrow

FOUNDERS.

## 1879.

By-Laws.

The incorporators met at the Club rooms, at 7 p. m., on January 6, 1879, and unanimously adopted a code of by-laws, rules, and regulations, with the reservation that the portions relating to the admission of new members were—

> Not to apply to the persons to be associated as members by the action of the present meeting, nor to such members of the Philosophical Society of Washington as may signify by letter to the Secretary prior to the next annual meeting their desire to become members of the Club.

Names of Founders.

The incorporators then adopted the resolution of which a photographic copy, taken from the official minutes of the Club, is here given. The several names canceled on the list were probably removed by the Secretary after the owners had given him notice that they were not prepared to assume membership at that time, and the remaining names were then numbered by him. The names of Horace Capron, H. H. C. Dunwoody, Joseph Marvine, and J. K. Upton appear in the list of members appended to the by-laws published early in 1879; but the three persons last above mentioned never paid admission fees or dues and hence were never members of the Club; and although Horace Capron paid admission fee on January 10, 1879, he, in May, 1879, withdrew his name without further qualifying. Messrs. M. Baker, R. Craig, W. H. Dall and A. B. Johnson, whose names are canceled on the list, became members at later periods.

In addition to the 59 persons numbered in the list, Lieut. S. E. Tillmann, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, acquired the status of a member by payment of admission fee and dues by the date of the annual election, which took place January 13, 1879.

These sixty persons, therefore, became of record the founders of the Cosmos Club.

**Qualification of Members. Fees and Dues.**

The by-laws adopted at the incorporators' meeting of January 6, 1879, restricted the membership to "persons interested in science or literature;" fixed the admission fee at $25 and the annual dues of resident members at $20 and of non-resident members at $10, and these rates were paid by the founders. They also prescribed that the officers of the Club should be elected at the annual meeting to be held on the second Monday of January of each year.

SPENCER FULLERTON BAIRD.
President January 13, 1879, to January 12, 1880.

## 1879.

A special meeting of the Club ot 8 p. m., January 6, 1879, was called by postal card, of which the following is a copy:

COSMOS CLUB, *1879, January 2.*

MY DEAR SIR:

There will be a special meeting of the Club, in its rooms, [Nos. 33, (Cloak Room,) 36 and 37, Corcoran Building, 3d floor,] on Monday, January 6, 1879, at 8 p. m. From and after that date the Club Rooms will be open from 12 noon till 12 midnight daily.

The annual meeting will be held on Monday, January 13, at 8 p. m., at which time the members will elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three Trustees, who, together, constitute a Board of Management; and also a House Committee (3 members), a Library Committee (3 members), and a Committee on Admissions (10 members).

Very truly yours,

EDWARD S. HOLDEN,
*Secretary, pro tem.*

By order of the Board of Management.

Nineteen members were present but no business of importance was transacted.

**Annual Election.**

The first annual meeting of the Club for the election of officers, therefore, took place on Monday evening, January 13, 1879, the membership at that time consisting of 56 residents and 4 non-residents. There had been paid in for admission fees and dues the sum of $1,510, and the sum of $643.03 had been expended.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at this first annual meeting were as follows:

*President,* .....Spencer F. Baird
*Vice President,* .....James C. Welling
*Secretary,* .....Edward S. Holden
*Treasurer,* .....John S. Billings
*Trustees,*.....John W. Powell, Garrick Mallery, and William Harkness.

*Committee on Admissions.*—W. M. Mew, E. M. Gallaudet, O. T. Mason, Edward Goodfellow, John R. Eastman, F. M. Endlich, Henry Adams, Henry Gannett, C. H. Davis, and G. K. Gilbert.

On May 5, 1879, Robert Fletcher was elected to succeed John S. Billings as Treasurer, who was compelled to resign on account of illness.

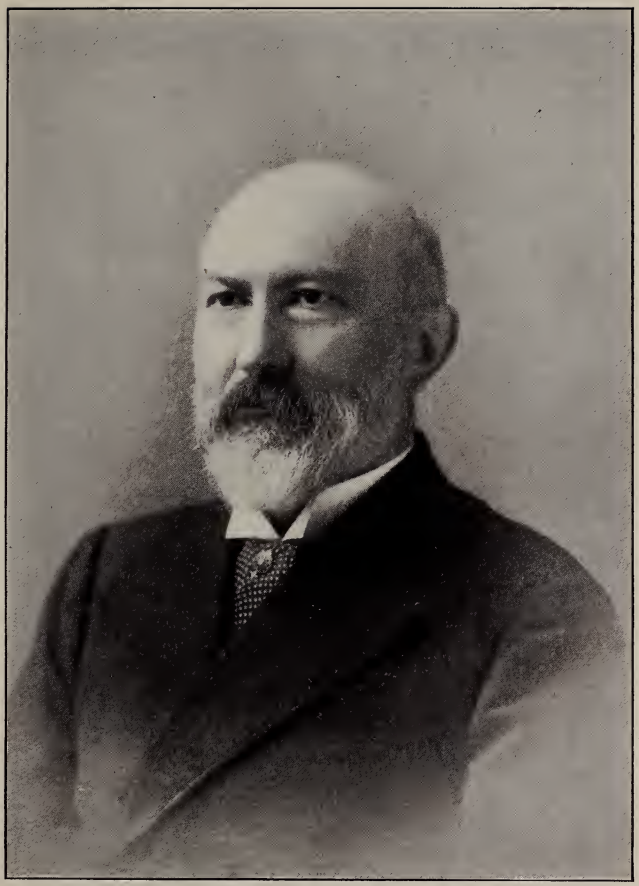
**Refreshments at Monthly Meetings.**

With the view of developing the social side of the organization the Board of Management, on March 3, 1879, authorized the House Committee to furnish punch at the regular monthly meetings of the Club.

**Rooms.**

The hearty appreciation of the Club by its members, and the desire for the extension of its facilities, made it necessary during the year to secure additional rooms in the Corcoran Building, toward the furnishing of which the sum of $150 was raised by voluntary contributions among the members.

By the end of December, 1879, the membership had increased to 65 residents and 11 non-residents.



JAMES CLARK WELLING.
President January 12, 1880, to January 10, 1881.

1880.

Progress of the Club.

The receipts from all sources for the year ending January 12, 1880, the date of the second annual meeting, amounted to $2,809.66, and the disbursements to $3,015.10. The total receipts and disbursements from November 16, 1878, to January 12, 1880, left a balance on hand of $661.53.

In submitting the annual report at this meeting, the Board of Management reviewed the progress made since November 16, 1878, and said:

> On the whole the Board of Management feels that the members may be congratulated on the history of the Club during 1879. We are now comfortably established as to rooms, the business methods have taken shape and are satisfactory, and with reasonable prudence we may expect the year 1880 to be even more successful than its predecessor. If these details have not been intensely exciting, we may still remind the members of the Club, in giving up our trust, that "happy is the Club whose annals are dull."

Annual Election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at this second annual meeting were as follows:

*President,* .....James C. Welling
*Vice President,* .....John W. Powell
*Secretary,* .....Edward S. Holden
*Treasurer,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Trustees,* ....Garrick Mallery, William Harkness, and Edward M. Gallaudet.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Swan M. Burnett, W. M. Mew, C. H. Davis, J. R. Eastman, Clay Macauley, Henry Gannett, Edward Goodfellow, F. M. Endlich, O. T. Mason, and J. C. Pilling.

The Board of Management passed the following resolution on January 5, 1880:

Treasurer's and House Committee's Accounts.

*Resolved,* That the Treasurer and the Chairman of the House Committee be requested to lay before the Board of Managers at their monthly meetings a summary statement (without particulars) of their respective cash accounts for the information of the Board.

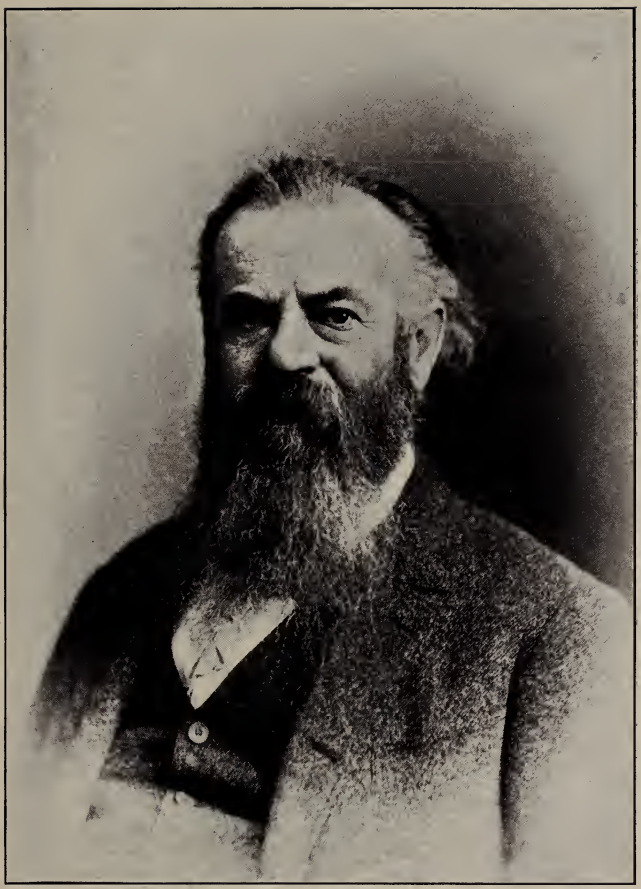
Club Night Established.

As further contributing to the promotion of social feeling the Club formally adopted the following resolution on February 2, 1880:

*Resolved,* That Monday night be considered as "Club Night," on which evening members may expect to meet more than the usual number of fellow-members at the rooms.

Membership.

By the 31st of December, 1880, the membership had increased to 85 residents and 15 non-residents. The receipts from all sources for the year ending January 7, 1881, amounted to $5,077.69, and the disbursements to $5,541.30. The balance left on hand was $1,057.92.



JOHN WESLEY POWELL.

Preliminary President November 16, 1878, and December 13, 1878; President, January 10, 1881, to January 9, 1882.

## 1881.

Progress of the Club.

Commenting on the progress of the Club, the Board of Management, in the third annual report, dated January 10, 1881, said:

The Club was started as a purely social experiment on a purely social basis. The original plan was to make an inexpensive Club, where persons of like tastes should be able to meet freely and on an absolute equality, and to provide rooms to which the members would not be ashamed to invite their friends from other cities. The difficulties to be feared arose from the fact that no club recruited from our own class of men had previously existed in the city, and from the further fact that to make our undertaking successful we should be obliged to make both fees and dues small. We may fairly say that, like the Latin reader, we have "filled a much felt want." Our Club fees and dues are far lower than those of any American or English club of the kind. By economy we are able to maintain comfortable rooms in the most accessible part of town. * * The Club rooms are much used, and it is a pleasure to be able to invite our friends to them.

We have spoken of the work of the various Committees, and of the advantages which the Club yields to us, in a perfectly open manner, which we trust will not be thought in bad taste when we say that we have done so in order to invite your attention equally frankly to the following question: By what means is it that we have gained these ends? In other words, and to put it commercially, how is it that for the minimum of money we have been able to obtain the maximum of comfort? The reason is to be found in one fact, and we ask you to consider it attentively, for, in our opinion, the future of the Club depends upon our good understanding of it. The work of the Club is done by individual members from a desire to make it a success, and from a hearty interest in its welfare, and is not left, as is usual in other clubs, to servants. For example, the members of the House Committee have personally superintended the ordering, purchasing and distribution of their stores at an expense of time and labor which we can hardly appreciate. They have cheerfully and willingly given their time and attention to the duties to which they have been called. In the same way every other Com-

mittee has given its best intelligence to settling the questions which have come before it. This has been done, too, from the desire to forward the welfare of the Club, and not from personal or private motives. The obvious conclusion is that to preserve in the future what we have gained in the past, we should adhere to the same policy of doing the work of the Club ourselves in order to be sure that it is well done.

The conservative tendencies of the Board of Management at this time are shown by the following extract from the same annual report:

The Club obtained additional rooms at the beginning of the year, and on December 1 took the room No. 33 [which though originally rented by the Club, had been exchanged by it for rooms Nos. 34 and 35]. The screen across the hall has been moved to the north so as to include the doors of all our rooms; and the hall and room 33 have been papered and partly furnished. By this arrangement we have enough space for our present wants. As a matter of fact we have about 2,200 square feet of space in six apartments. The rent paid is $53 per month. All the space is on one floor; it is all available; the rooms are in the center of the city; they are heated and partly lighted without expense to us; and when our servants are not here they are guarded by watchmen. A house renting for $53 per month would contain about 2,700 square feet, arranged in 10 to 11 rooms on three floors. Some of these rooms would be useless for our purposes, and all of the space would have to be heated and lighted at our expense, involving an additional expenditure of from $250 to $300 yearly. * * The facts which have been given with regard to the cheapness of our present arrangement of rooms, together with the results of our own private inquiries, impel the present Board of Management to strongly commend to the Club the policy of staying where we are for the present. To change our quarters will be to acquire new and great, and, to a certain extent, unknown responsibilities. Our income at present from annual dues alone is $1,850 per year, or $154 per month. We can live on this, with economy, and in our present situation. We are thus entirely independent and can go on without making a single addition to our members if this be desirable.

Annual Election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admission elected at the third annual meeting, which took place on January 10, 1881, were as follows:

*President,* .....John W. Powell
*Vice President,* .....Garrick Mallery
*Secretary,* .....Edward S. Holden*
*Treasurer,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Trustees,* ....James C. Welling, William Harkness, and Edward M. Gallaudet.

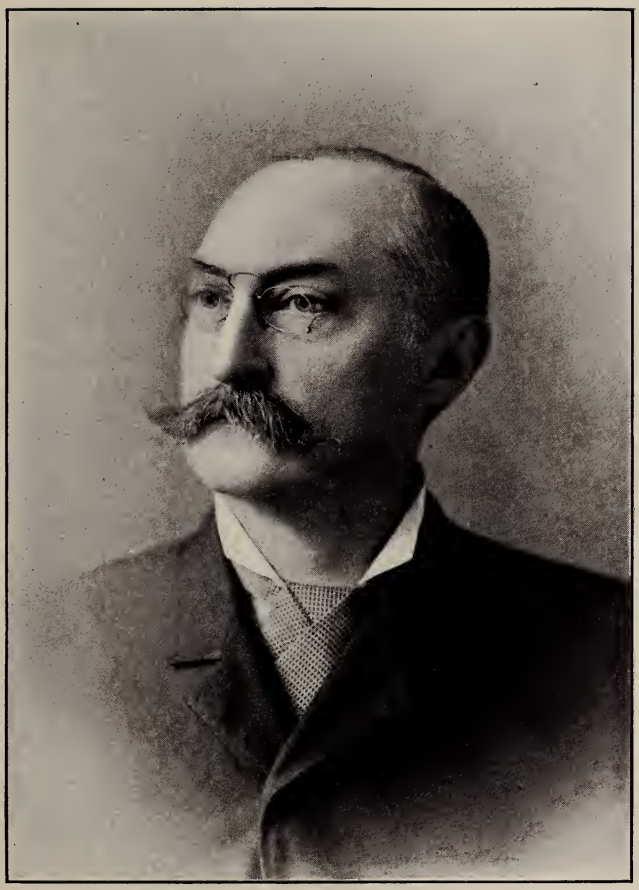
*Committee on Admissions.*—E. A. Fay, Miles Rock, J. C. Pilling, Henry Gannett, Joseph K. McCammon, W. B. Corbit, Harry C. Taylor, J. M. Flint, George M. Lockwood, and John R. Eastman.

The Board of Management on Sept. 5, 1881, adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the House Committee be instructed to procure a new lock and not to exceed 100 keys for the outer door, to be sold to members at such price as that Committee shall fix.

The membership of the Club had increased by December 31, 1881, to 99 resident and 21 non-resident members. The receipts from all sources to January 9, 1882, amounted to $5,788.34, and the disbursements to $5,193.79. The balance left on hand was $1,652.47. The annual report of the Treasurer containing this information is reported to have been "received with applause" when read at the annual meeting of the Club on January 9, 1882.

*E. S. Holden resigned as Secretary and was succeeded by Theodore F. Dwight on February 7, 1881.



GARRICK MALLERY.

President January 9, 1882, to January 8, 1883.

1882.

Annual Election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 9, 1882, were as follows:

*President,* .....Garrick Mallery
*Vice President,* .....Edward M. Gallaudet
*Secretary,* .....Theodore F. Dwight*
*Treasurer,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Trustees,*....James C. Welling, William Harkness, and John W. Powell.

*Committee on Admissions.*—John R. Eastman, E. A. Fay, Henry Gannett, D. L. Huntington, Joseph K. McCammon, W. M. Mew, J. C. Pilling, Harry C. Taylor, J. H. Kidder, and J. O. Stanton.

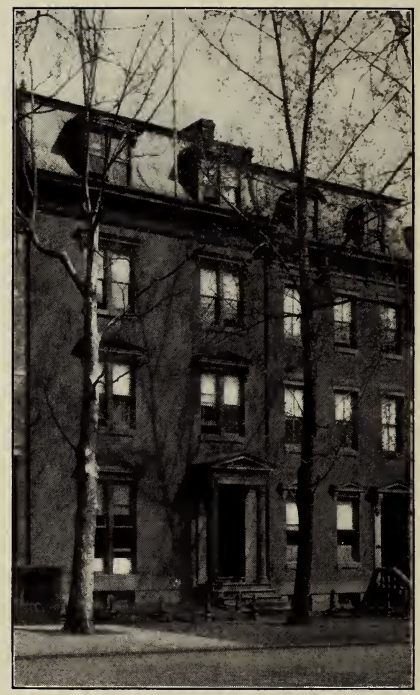
Desire for separate Building.

On February 6, 1882, the Club, on motion of Professor Newcomb, directed the appointment of a select committee of five—

To take into consideration the future membership of the Club, and recommend such measures for its increase as they shall deem conducive to the prosperity of the organization.

This Committee, consisting of Professor Newcomb, Doctor Welling, Captain Dutton, Professor Eastman and Mr. Henshaw, on March 6, 1882, recommended, among other things, that the entrance fee of $25 be increased to $35; that the annual dues of resident members be increased to $25; and that the Committee on Admissions confine its selection of candidates to members of the learned professions, authors, artists, men of science, men of letters, and men known as promoters of the objects of the Club. It also expressed the opinion that the lease or purchase of a separate building for the accommodation of the Club was necessary to its permanent prosperity, and recommended action to this end be taken by the Club. Accord-

*Theodore F. Dwight resigned as Secretary and was succeeded by Frederick W. Taylor on May 3, 1882.



NO. 23—LAFAYETTE SQUARE.

From January 1, 1883, to June 1, 1886, the quarters of the Club were in the house shown in the picture on the right.

ingly, on motion of Captain Dutton, a committee of three was appointed at this meeting—

To inquire whether a suitable building for a Club house can be obtained, and to inquire the cost of purchasing or renting the same, together with the necessary furniture, and to report at the next meeting.

Increase of Fees and Dues.

The Committee consisted of Captain Dutton, Doctor Fletcher, and Mr. Knox. The increase of entrance fees and dues was adopted at the next meeting; but the Committee on the lease or purchase of a building made a report of progress only. The matter of new club accommodations was not again called up until the meeting of November 6, following,

Club Building.

when, in reply to an inquiry, Doctor Fletcher, a member of the Committee, stated that the rent in the Corcoran Building would be $100 a month for the year 1883, and that he had looked at a house on Lafayette Square* for rent at $1,600, but thought that the cheapest plan was to buy a lot and build a Club house. The Club, however, did not take this view, but passed the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management is hereby constituted a committee, with power to add to their number from members of the Club, to investigate and report upon the different plans suggested for providing quarters for the Club, the report to be made at the December meeting or at a called special meeting should it seem advisable.

23 Lafayette Square.

The Board reported at a special meeting of the Club held on November 13, 1882, as follows:

That it is recommended that the Board of Management be authorized to rent the house No. 23 Lafayette Square for one year at a rent not to exceed sixteen hundred and eighty dollars,

*The street running from H street to Pennsylvania avenue on the east side of Lafayette Square has been known at various times as "15½ street," "Lafayette Square," and "Madison Place." At the time of this publication it is entered on the official plat of the city as "Madison Place."

($1,680) per annum, with the privilege of holding it for an additional year at the same rent.

This recommendation was adopted by the Club at their meeting of November 13, 1882, and the Board of Management was authorized to procure a seal for the Club. A lease was duly executed by the President and Secretary for two years, the owners not being willing to execute the lease for one year, and notice was given that the tenancy in the Corcoran Building would terminate on December 31, 1882.

Club Reception.

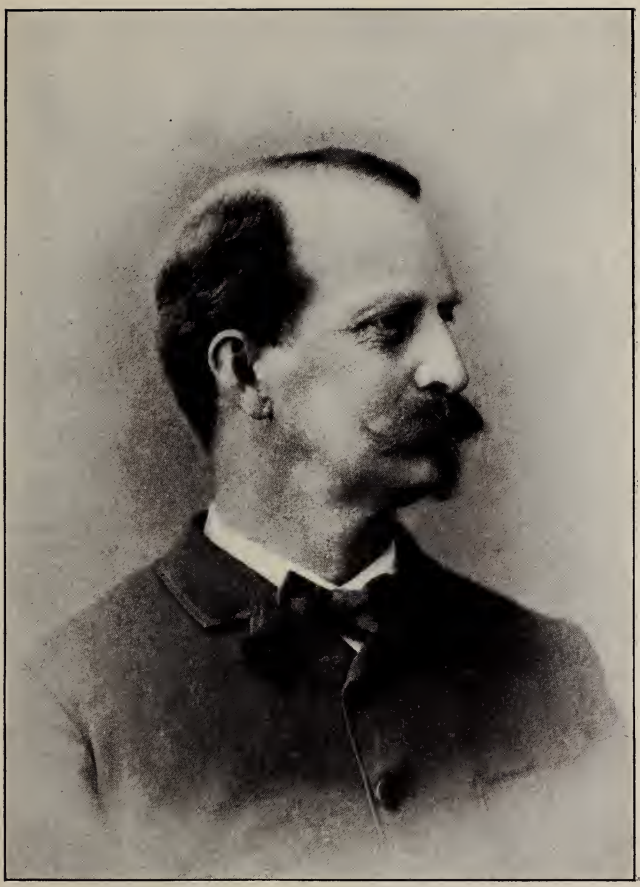
At this same meeting it was suggested that a reception be given when the Club had moved to the new quarters and that ladies be invited to attend; but consideration of the suggestion was postponed until the December meeting following. At that meeting the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved,* That the Club open the Club house on such night as the Board of Management shall fix upon for a reception, and that ladies and other friends of members be invited, limited to such number and subject to such rules as the Board of Management shall determine; provided, a sufficient amount of money be raised by voluntary subscription to defray the expense of the same.

The Board of Management appointed a committee on decoration of the Club house for the night of the reception, and also a floor committee for that occasion. The reception was duly held on December 28, 1882, and the rooms of the Club at No. 23 Lafayette Square were crowded with the members and the ladies of their families and the invited guests of the Club.

Membership.

By the end of December, 1882, the membership had increased to 119 resident and 20 non-resident members. The receipts from all sources for the year ending January 8, 1883, amounted to $6,168.35, and the disbursements to $6,521.17. The balance left on hand on that date was $1,299.65.



EDWARD MINER GALLAUDET.
President January 8, 1883, to January 14, 1884.

## 1883.

Annual Election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 8, 1883, were as follows:

*President,* .....Edward M. Gallaudet
*Vice President,* .....William Harkness
*Secretary,* .....Frederick W. Taylor
*Treasurer,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Trustees,*....John S. Billings, Joseph K. McCammon, Henry C. Yarrow.

*Committee on Admissions.*—S. O. Richey, H. C. Burchard, J. M. Flint, A. F. A. King, D. L. Huntington, S. H. Kauffmann, G. Brown Goode, H. W. Henshaw, C. E. Dutton, and Robert Craig.

Associates.

At the meeting of the Board of Management on January 20, 1883, it was resolved that persons admitted to the temporary privileges of the Club should thereafter be known as "associates," the by-laws being silent as to their proper designation.

Club reception.

At the monthly meeting on November 5, 1883, the Club adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be requested to provide for a general reception by the Club, and appoint a committee to supervise the same, and also post a subscription paper in the Club rooms for the purpose of raising the funds necessary to defray the expenses thereof.

The Board of Management at a meeting on the same evening appointed a committee of five, with power "to appoint sub-committees, either from their own number or from the Club at large," and to appoint substitutes if any members appointed should decline to serve, for the purpose of carrying out the wishes of the Club as to the general reception proposed.

Committee meetings of Scientific Societies.

The Board, on December 3, 1883, adopted the following preamble and resolution referring to committee meetings of scientific societies in the Club house:

Complaints having been made to the Board of Management that on more than one occasion lately a committee meeting, relating to outside business, has been held in one of the Club parlors, it is resolved:

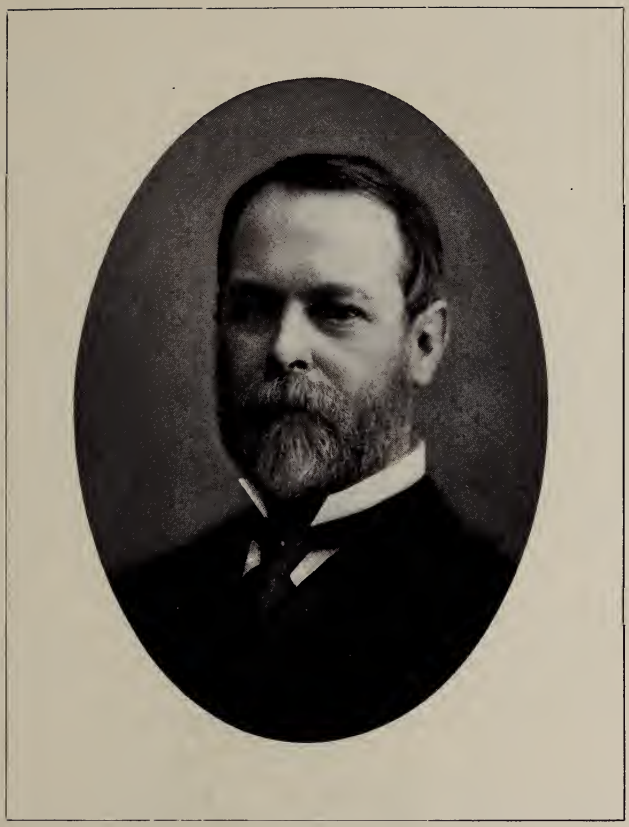
That such a proceeding cannot be permitted, as it interferes with the rights of members to the full use of the parlors upon all occasions. Permission to occupy one of the committee rooms on the second floor for such occasional purposes when it is not required for the business of the Club will be willingly accorded. In such cases application should be made to the chairman of the House Committee for the desired accommodation.

Club reception.

At the Club meeting held on December 3, 1883, the Committee on the proposed Club reception reported that in its opinion the holding of the reception was inadvisable on account of the apparent apathy of the members on the subject; and the matter was left in the hands of the Committee with power to act at their discretion. Renewed interest having sprung up, however, the reception was duly held on December 27, 1883, in the Club house and the adjoining house (No. 25) which was then vacant, and was a most successful and enjoyable affair, a small balance of the funds subscribed therefor being turned into the Club treasury.

Membership.

December 31, 1883, the membership stood at 145 resident and 32 non-resident members. The receipts from all sources for the year ended January 12, 1884, amounted to $9,719.25, the disbursements to $8,085.45. The balance left on hand was $2,933.45.



WILLIAM HARKNESS.
President January 14, 1884, to January 12, 1885.

## 1884.

Refreshments at annual meeting.

On January 3, 1884, the Board of Management inaugurated the custom of providing extra refreshments at the annual meetings of the Club, by authorizing the House Committee to provide such extras at the annual meeting to be held on January 14, 1884.

Annual meeting.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at this annual meeting were as follows:

*President,* .....William Harkness
*Vice President,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Secretary,* .....Francis T. Bowles
*Treasurer,* .....Garrick Mallery*
*Trustees,*....John S. Billings, Joseph K. McCammon, and Henry C. Yarrow.

*Committee on Admissions.*—D. L. Huntington, H. C. Burchard, J. M. Flint, S. H. Kauffmann, Henry Gannett, G. Brown Goode, A. F. A. King, C. E. Dutton, Charles S. Tainter, and S. O. Richey.

Limit of membership.

On April 7, 1884, an amendment of the by-laws was proposed in the Club, limiting the number of resident members to 200, and the number of non-resident members to 50. This amendment was adopted on October 6, 1884.

Club building—Wilkes property.

At the meeting on June 2, 1884, the Board of Management informally discussed but did not accept an offer of Mrs. Mary Wilkes to lease for the use of the Club the house at the corner of H street and Lafayette Square, which, before purchase and alteration by Admiral Wilkes, had been the home of Dolly Madison. The Board concluded to authorize the Vice

*Garrick Mallery declined election and was succeeded by Robert Fletcher until March 3, 1884, when John R. Eastman was elected Treasurer.

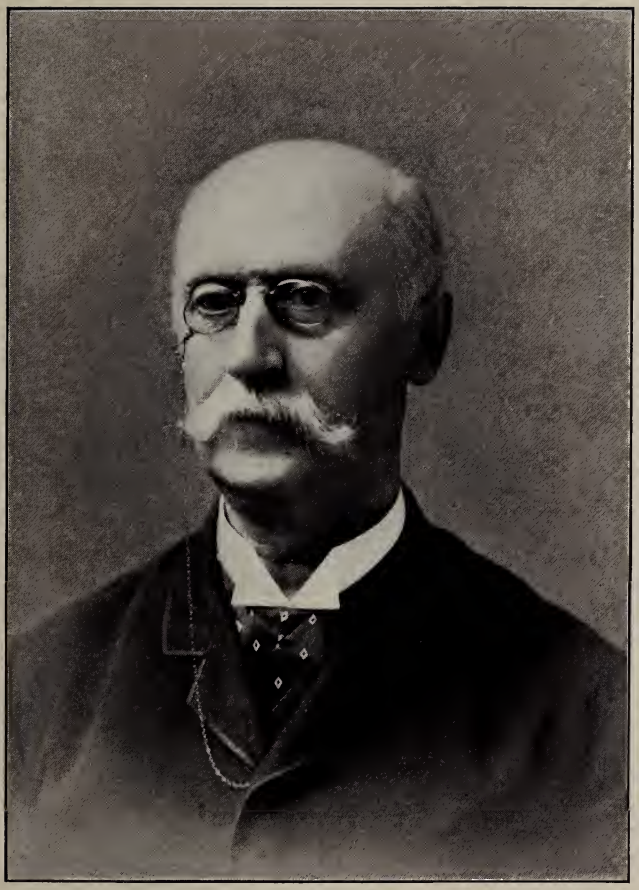
President to open negotiations for a renewal of the lease of No. 23 Lafayette Square, then in the occupancy of the Club.

Investment of funds.

At the same meeting the Treasurer was authorized to invest a part of the balance of Club funds in his hands in Government bonds to the amount of $2,000. This he reported he had done at a meeting held June 6, 1884, but the amount was afterwards reduced to $1,500 by sale of a bond. On July 7, 1884, the Board directed the renewal of the lease of No. 23 Lafayette Square for two years, which was done.

Membership.

December 31, 1884, the membership stood at 143 resident and 42 non-resident members. The receipts from all sources for the year ended January 12, 1885, amounted to $9,740.95, and the disbursements to $10,780.95. The balance left on hand was $1,893.45 in cash and $1,500 in United States 4 per cent. bonds.



ROBERT FLETCHER.
President January 12, 1885, to January 11, 1886.

THE BENJAMIN OGLE TAYLOE HOUSE, 1886.

## 1885.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting on January 12, 1885, were as follows:

*President,* .....Robert Fletcher
*Vice President,* .....John S. Billings
*Secretary,* .....Francis T. Bowles
*Treasurer,* .....John R. Eastman
*Trustees,*....Henry C. Yarrow, C. E. Dutton, D. L. Huntington
*Committee on Admissions.*—H. C. Burchard, A. F. A. King, H. W. Henshaw, Henry Gannett, G. Brown Goode, A. L. Gihon, Charles S. Tainter, N. L. Bates, J. H. Kidder, S. H. Kauffmann, S. O. Richey, and F. W. Clarke.

Club building. Ogle Tayloe property.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Club on April 6, 1885, the President announced that the Board of Management had informally examined the Benjamin Ogle Tayloe property, No. 21 Lafayette Square, adjoining the Club house, with reference to its possible purchase for the Club, and had concluded not to make it the subject of further consideration, as the house appeared unsuitable for a Club, and that to purchase such a valuable property as a site for a new building would be beyond the means of the Club. It was determined by the Club, however, to hold a special meeting on April 13, 1885, for considering the matter, and it called upon the Board for a statement at that meeting of the financial questions involved. At the special meeting on the 13th the President stated that the price of the Ogle Tayloe property was $60,000, and that in order to effect its purchase the Club would have to raise at once $27,500 to $30,000 and immediately double the dues. It was also reported that $2,500 would be required to make the place comfortable as a Club house, and an ultimate expenditure of $5,000 would be necessary for repairs and furnishings.

Upon this showing the proposition to buy the property was laid on the table. A committee was, however, appointed at this meeting to further consider the subject of property available for the purposes of the Club, and by vote the Club expressed its willingness in case of the purchase of a suitable building or property to increase the dues of the members to meet the increased expense. This committee was, on the motion of Professor F. W. Clarke, also instructed to investigate the feasibility of obtaining the co-operation of the scientific societies of Washington by providing in the Club house to be acquired a suitable meeting place for those societies.

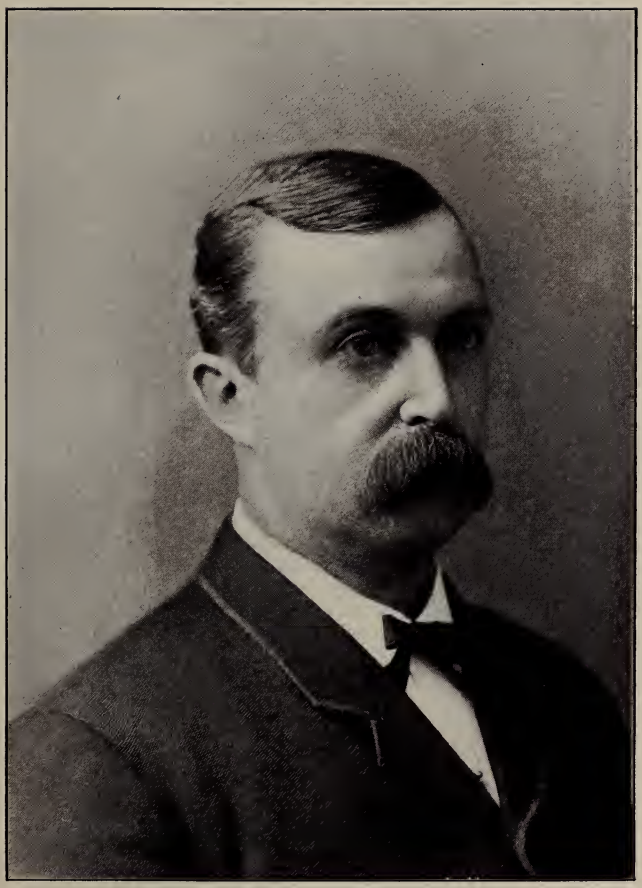
**Meeting place for scientific societies.**

At the regular meeting of the Club on November 2, 1885, a proposition to give a general Club reception similar to those held in 1882 and 1883 was referred to the Board of Management with power to act after making a canvass of the Club on the subject. The Board at the December meeting reported adversely, principally on account of the inadequate accommodations of the Club house, and the matter was dropped.

**Club reception.**

On December 31, 1885, the membership stood at 148 resident and 43 non-resident members. The receipts from all sources for the year ended January 9, 1886, amounted to $7,856.24, the disbursements to $8,057.72. The balance left on hand was $1,691.97 in cash and $1,500 in United States 4 per cent. bonds.

**Membership.**



JOHN SHAW BILLINGS.
President January 11, 1886, to January 9, 1888.

## 1886.

**Annual election.**

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting on January 11, 1886, were as follows:

*President,* .....John S. Billings
*Vice President,* .....Henry C. Yarrow
*Secretary,* .....Francis T. Bowles*
*Treasurer,* .....John R. Eastman
*Trustees,*..C. E. Dutton, D. L. Huntington and S. H. Kauffmann

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, H. W. Henshaw, J. H. Kidder, A. F. A. King, G. K. Gilbert, G. Brown Goode, F. W. Clarke, T. C. Mendenhall, Thomas Hampson, C. D. Walcott, O. T. Mason, and W. C. Winlock.

**Club building. Wilkes property.**

At this annual meeting the Committee on the purchase of a building or other property for Club purposes reported that the Wilkes house,† at the corner of H street and Lafayette Square, could be bought for $40,000 on advantageous terms. It presented plans showing how alterations and additions

* Francis T. Bolles resigned as Secretary and was succeeded by Thomas M. Chatard on October 4, 1886.

† THE DOLLY MADISON HOUSE, OR WILKES HOUSE.—At the close of President James Madison's second administration in 1817, he and his wife, Mrs. Dolly Payne Madison, retired from the White House to Montpelier, near Orange Court House, Virginia, where they resided until Mr. Madison's death in 1836. In 1828, while living at Montpelier, Mr. Madison bought the property in Washington which, in after years, came to be called the Dolly Madison house.

Richard Cutts, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Madison, is generally accredited with having been the original builder of the house. He acquired the title to the land on which it is located (lots 13 and 14, square 221,) together with the title to two adjoining lots (lots 12 and 15) on October 3, 1818, and he deeded all of them on the 10th of the following month to a trustee to secure the payment of certain of his obligations held by the Bank of the United States in Washington, D. C. With the assent of all parties concerned, the cashier of the bank, upon a valuation put upon the lots by Colonel George Bomford and others, sold them, with the improvements thereon, to Mr. Madison, on August 22, 1828, for $5,750. Mr. Madison died at Montpelier, June 28, 1836, and he willed the above property to Mrs. Madison.

In the winter of 1837 Mrs. Madison returned to Washington from Montpelier, where she had resided for the past twenty years, and took up her abode in the house above described, which came thereafter to be known as the Dolly Madison house. It was then a small two-story-and-attic structure, having a gable roof which sloped east and west, and which was provided with dormer windows. It had no back building, and the principal entrance to the house, reached by plain wooden steps,

could be made to the house to adapt it to Club uses, an essential feature being the construction of a suitable assembly hall adjoining the building in which meetings of the Club and of the scientific societies could be held. It also submitted a statement of the financial matters involved, showing that if certain sums could be raised by the Club and the dues increased, the purchase could be made. After full explanation and discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

Hall for meetings of Club and scientific societies.

*Resolved,* That the matter of purchasing a house for the Club be referred back to the Committee with instructions to canvass the club thoroughly, both as to the feasibility of making the purchase of the Wilkes property and as to the best method of effecting the same, the result to be reported to the Club at the earliest day feasible, the Committee being instructed to limit the proposed amount to be raised from the members of the Club to $12,500, bearing interest at 5 per cent.

Ways and means.

The Committee was increased at this meeting by the addition of four new members.

This Committee, on the 18th of January, 1886, issued the following circular to the members of the Club:

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was at the corner where a window now is on the Lafayette Square front. The yard or garden extended south to the Tayloe mansion on the Lafayette Square side, and east to the middle of the square on the H street side. In this house Mrs. Madison lived until her death on July 12, 1849. Her funeral services were conducted in St. John's Episcopal Church opposite.

During the subsequent ownership of the property by Admiral Charles Wilkes, U. S. Navy, which began in 1851, the house underwent extensive external as well as internal alterations. The gable roof gave place to a flat one; a back building was added; a bay-window was added to the south side; and the entrance was changed to the H street side, the old entrance on Lafayette Square being converted into a window, the front windows cut down to the floor, and a balcony placed on that front —all (except the southern bay-window) as shown in the illustrations herewith, which have been made from photographs taken three years before negotiations were opened by the Cosmos Club for the purchase of the property. These photographs were kindly loaned by Misses Jane and Eliza Wilkes, daughters of Admiral Wilkes, who have given the above description of the Dolly Madison house as it existed at the time of the purchase of the property by their father.

General George B. McClellan, upon being ordered to Washington in 1861 after the battle of Bull Run, occupied the house as headquarters until late in the autumn of that year, when he removed to a house at the northwest corner of H and Fifteenth streets, where the Shoreham Hotel now stands.

THE WILKES HOUSE, 1883.

THE WILKES HOUSE, 1883.

(Confidential.)

COSMOS CLUB, *23 Lafayette Square, 18th January, 1886.*

MY DEAR SIR:

The undersigned, the permanent Committee appointed in accordance with a resolution of the Club to consider the subject of the purchase of a suitable site or building for the Club, presented at the annual meeting on the 11th January a plan for acquiring the property at the southeast corner of H street and Lafayette Square, known as the "Wilkes house." The matter was referred back to the Committee by resolution of the Club, with instructions to thoroughly canvass the Club as to the feasibility of making the purchase and the methods of effecting the result.

In pursuance of this resolution, the Committee has the honor to make the following statement and ask your consideration of the queries here proposed, the answers to which are not to be considered in the nature of an agreement but merely a means of determining the opinion of the members in order to enable the Committee to report to the Club which must finally act.

(1.) The Wilkes property at the southeast corner of H street and Lafayette Square, as shown on the accompanying plan, is 76′ 10″ on H street and 54′ 6″ on Lafayette Square, and is 4187.5 square feet in area. This property can be purchased for $40,000—$12,500 in cash and the remainder ($27,500) in five years with interest at 5 per cent.

(2.) It is proposed to put the house in thorough repair, to add a one-storied addition to the present house, providing an assembly room with separate access as shown on the plan, and to furnish the house, all at a total expense of $7,500.

(3.) The following ways and means are proposed by the Committee:

1. To raise, in the Club, by subscription to a second mortgage on the property, bearing interest at five per cent., the sum of $20,000, in order to cover the first payment of $12,500 and the additions, etc., to the house at $7,500.

2. To borrow on a first mortgage, at 5 per cent., $27,500, the balance of the cost of the property.

(4.) The Committee is informed that the annual income of the Club is now about $4,250, and slightly more than sufficient to cover the expenses. The Club owns $1,500 in United States bonds, worth about $1,800.

On occupation of this new Club house our regular annual expenses, providing for additional services, insurance, taxes, interest on the debt, and a sinking fund of $500, would be increased by the sum of ..... $3,625

Deducting our present rent of ..... 1,680

Leaves a net increase of expenses amounting to .... $1,945

Supposing the membership to be 200, of whom 150 are resident and 50 non-resident members, and the annual dues to be increased from $25 to $35, and $10 to $15, respectively, payable half yearly, the increase of our annual income would be as follows:

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| 150 resident members, at $10 ..... | $1,500 |
| 50 non-resident members, at $5 ..... | 250 |
| | $1,750 |
| The rent of rooms is estimated to be at least ..... | 200 |
| | $1,950 |

Which covers the increase of expenses.

(5.) The Committee would state that the proposition here made is not intended to make any change in the character of the Club.

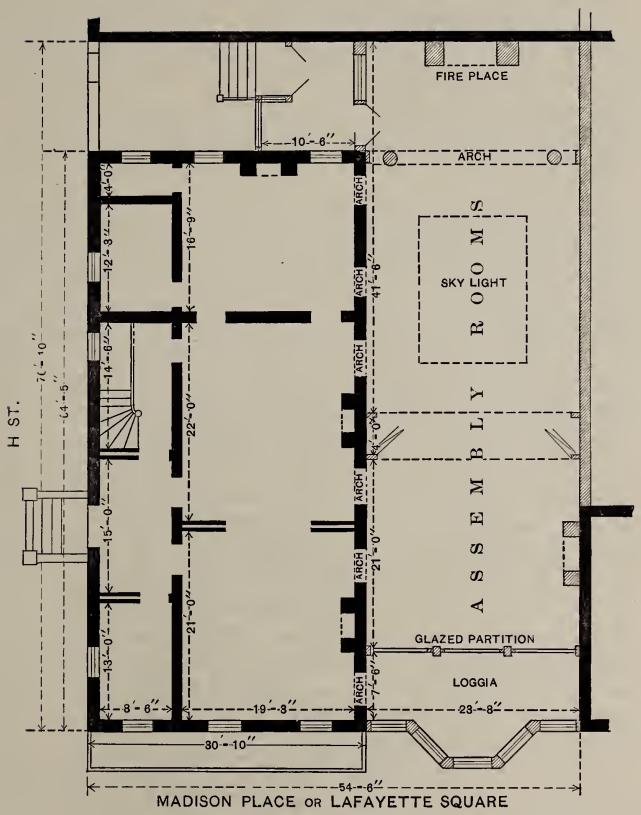
(6.) The Committee has arranged that members of the Club, on presentation of this letter, can visit the "Wilkes house" on Friday and Saturday, the 22nd and 23rd instants, between the hours of 4 and 5 of the afternoon.

(7.) We have the pleasure to invite your early consideration of the matter, and ask the favor of your opinion on the accompanying form, and would say that it is highly desirable that answers should be received in time for the consideration of this Committee at its next meeting, on Monday evening, January 25th.

Yours truly,

FRANCIS T. BOWLES,
*Secretary.*

*The Committee:* JAMES C. WELLING, *Chairman,* GARRICK MALLERY, S. H. KAUFFMANN, W. M. POINDEXTER, A. GRAHAM BELL, J. W. POWELL, J. M. TONER, H. C. YARROW, *Vice President,* J. R. EASTMAN, *Treasurer,* FRANCIS T. BOWLES, *Secretary.*




GROUND PLAN OF THE WILKES HOUSE
and the
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS.

Favorable report as to purchase.

At the meeting of the Club on February 1, 1886, the Committee reported the result of the canvass of the Club as follows: Members in favor of the purchase, 100; opposed, 16. Members in favor of increase of dues, 111; opposed, 5. Agreeing to subscribe to loan, 35, amounting to $14,250. It strongly recommended the purchase of the property, and submitted the following preamble and resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Acceptance of offer.

*Whereas* Messrs. Fitch, Fox & Brown, real estate brokers in Washington, D. C., have offered in behalf of the owners of the house and lot situated on the southeast corner of H street, N. W., and Madison Place, in Washington, D. C., to sell the said property to the Cosmos Club, on the following terms, namely: that $2,500 be paid in cash, $10,000 to be paid on the 1st of June, 1886, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum from February 1, 1886, to date of payment, and $27,500 be paid on the 1st of February, 1891, with interest on the same at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, to be paid semi-annually on the 1st of August and the 1st of February of each year, said interest to commence from the 1st of February, 1886; and also that said property be sold subject to a lease which expires November 20, 1886; therefore resolved:

*First.* That the Cosmos Club accepts the above offer, and the President and Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to sign, on behalf of the Club, such mortgage deeds or other obligations as may be necessary to complete the purchase of said property on the terms above proposed, and to affix the corporate seal of the Club to the same.

*Second.* That the Treasurer of the Club is hereby authorized to receive and collect the rents for the said property due under the lease above referred to from February 1, 1886, to the expiration of the lease or until the property is vacated and placed at the disposal of the Board of Management of the Club.

*Third.* That there shall be appointed by the President a special committee, of which the Treasurer shall be one, whose duty it shall be to collect the funds required to complete the purchase of said property and to meet the obligations thereby incurred, and also to meet the expenses of additions and repairs of said prop-

erty, to the amount of $7,500; and for this purpose, the said Committee shall prepare forms of bonds for moneys loaned to the Club, the interest on said bonds to be at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, said forms to be subject to the approval of the Board of Management.

*Fourth.* That the President and Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to sign on behalf of the Club bonds of the form prepared by the special committee above referred to and approved by the Board of Management, of denominations of $50 each, and to an amount not exceeding $20,000, and to deliver said bonds to the Treasurer.

*Fifth.* That the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to countersign the bonds above referred to and issue them in exchange for cash at their par value. He shall keep a record book in which the bonds as issued and all transfers of the same shall be duly entered. It shall also be the duty of the Treasurer to pay the interest on said bonds as it becomes due.

*Sixth.* That the Board of Management is hereby authorized to sub-let the building at present occupied by the Club for such portion of the unexpired lease as may be found desirable.

Contract of purchase.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the foregoing resolutions the following agreement for the purchase of the Wilkes property was entered into under date of February 1, 1886:

*This Agreement,* made this 1st day of February, A. D. 1886, by and between Mary Wilkes, Mary L. Wilkes, Jane Wilkes and Eliza Wilkes, widow and heirs at law of Charles Wilkes, deceased, of Washington City, District of Columbia, of the first part, and the "Cosmos Club," of the same place, of the second part—

*Witnesseth,* That the said parties of the first part, for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, agree to sell and convey to said party of the second part, by good and lawful deed with covenant of special warranty, parts of lots thirteen (13) and fourteen (14), square two hundred and twenty-one, (221), being No. 1518 H street northwest, with the ground thereto belonging, in Washington city, District of Columbia. And the said party of the second part, in consideration of such sale and conveyance,

agrees to pay said parties of the first part the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) as follows: Twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) at the time of the execution of this contract; ten thousand dollars ($10,000) on the first (1st) day of June, 1886; with interest at the rate of six (6) per cent. from date thereof; and the balance of twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars ($27,500) five (5) years from date thereof, with interest at the rate of five (5) per cent. per annum, payable quarterly; same to be secured by a promissory note of the party of the second part, bearing interest at the rate named and secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust on the premises hereinbefore mentioned.

It is further agreed, that no deed shall be delivered until the entire consideration, except the $27,500 last mentioned, is paid, and that if the party of the second part makes default in the fulfillment of this agreement, or any part thereof, said parties of the first part, or their legal representatives, may consider this agreement void and of no effect, and make other disposition of said land and premises as though this agreement had never been executed.

*In witness whereof,* the said parties of the first part and the party of the second part by its President and Secretary have hereto set their hands and seals on the day and year first hereinbefore mentioned.

In duplicate.

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| Witness: Sally M. Buchanan. | MARY WILKES, [SEAL.] |
| Witness: Sally M. Buchanan. | MARY L. WILKES, [SEAL.] |
| Witness: Sally M. Buchanan. | JANE WILKES, [SEAL.] |
| Witness: Sally M. Buchanan. | ELIZA WILKES, [SEAL.] |
| Witness: J. R. Eastman. | JOHN S. BILLINGS, [SEAL.] |
| | *President, Cosmos Club.* |
| Witness: Thomas M. Chatard, | FRANCIS T. BOWLES, |
| | *Secretary, Cosmos Club.* |

[SEAL OF THE COSMOS CLUB.]

First payment.

On February 2, 1886, $1,000 was paid to Fitch, Fox & Brown, and on February 20, 1886, $1,500, thus completing the first payment under the agreement for the purchase of the property.

Amendments of the by-laws, increasing the admission fee to $50 and the dues of resident members to $35 a year and those of non-resident members to $15 a year, were introduced at the meeting of February 1, 1886, and were adopted at the March meeting of the Club, the $50 admission fee to go into effect January 1, 1887.

Increase of fees and dues.

At the meeting of February 1, 1886, the Club adopted a common seal, consisting of a ring, with inscription, "Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C., 1878," inclosing a winged globe surmounted by stars, etc., as the corporate seal of the Club.

Seal of the Club adopted.

On February 13, 1886, the Real Estate Title Insurance Company of the District of Columbia, M. Ashford, President, furnished an abstract of title of the Wilkes property, from which the following extracts are made:

Abstract of title.

*Abstract of Title.*—Parts of original lots 13 and 14 in square 221, beginning at the northwest corner of said square and running thence east along H street 77 feet, more or less, to the western wall of the house on part of lot 14 recently erected by Sanders Irving, said point being the northwest corner of that part of lot 14 conveyed or intended to be conveyed to said Irving by deed from Mary Wilkes *et al.,* recorded in liber No. 872, folio 173, *et seq.,* of the land records of the District of Columbia, and thence due south about 55 feet to intersect a line drawn due east and west through the center of the north wall of the Rathbone house, thence west 77 feet, more or less, to the western line of said square, and thence north 55 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning.

In the division between the U. S. Commissioners and Samuel Davidson, the original proprietor, all of said square went to the United States, October 11, 1792.

*U. S. Commissioners to Samuel Davidson.*—Conditional certificate and deed, dated ————; recorded March 31, 1793, liber B, folio 306. Deed dated January 29, 1794; recorded May 10, 1794, liber B, folio 323.

*Will of Samuel Davidson.*—Dated Dec. 9, 1805; probated Sept. 13, 1810; Will Book 1, folio 178. Devises all lots in square 221 to John Harris, Margaret Davidson and Mary Davidson in fee.

Mary Davidson intermarried with Henry H. Chapman.

*John Harris et ux., Henry H. Chapman et ux. Mary, and Margaret Davidson to Richard Cutts.*—Three deeds. Dated Oct. 3, 1818; recorded Nov. 4, 1818, liber A. T., folio 9. Second and third deeds, dated Oct. 3, 1818, recorded March 6, 1819, liber A. U., folios 170 and 167.

*Richard Cutts to George Sweeny.*—Deed of trust, dated Nov. 10, 1818, recorded April 10, 1819, liber A. U., folio 287. Indemnify Thomas Munroe as indorser.

*George Sweeny to Richard Smith, cashier of Bank of United States.*—Deed dated April 26, 1820; recorded June 15, 1820, liber A. Y., folio 306.

*Richard Smith, Trustee, to James Madison.*—Deed dated August 22, 1828; recorded Sept. 9, 1828, liber W. B., 20, folio 526. Conveys under liber A. Y., folio 306. Confirmed by deed from Richard Cutts in liber W. B., 33, folio 393.

*Will of James Madison.*—Dated April 15, 1835; probated July 25, 1836, in Orange county, Virginia. Wills 20, folio 323. "I devise my house and lot or lots in the city of Washington to my beloved wife and her heirs." Copy recorded in office of Register of Wills of District of Columbia.

*Will of Dolly P. Madison.*—Dated July 9, 1849; probated May 21, 1850, book 6, folio 390. No disposition of realty.

*John P. Todd to Chas. Wilkes.*—Deed dated April 3, 1851; recorded October 3, 1851, liber J. A. S., 31, folio 61. All interest as heir-at-law of his mother Dolly P. Madison. Grantor is said to be the only heir of Dolly P. Madison.

*Chas. Wilkes to Lewis M. Rutherfurd, executor of Peter G. Stuyvesant.*—Mortgage dated June 9, 1855; recorded June 22, 1855, liber J. A. S., 99, folio 303. Secures mortgagee; payable June 9, 1860. Assigned to N. Y. Life Insurance Co., Dec. 5, 1856, as guardian of Rutherfurd Stuyvesant. Liber J. A. S., 127, folio 1. Assigned to Rutherfurd Stuyvesant, Sept. 25, 1863, he having attained his majority. Liber T. & R., 12, folio 236, and liber 872, folio 168. Assigned to James H. Tichenor, January 29, 1868. Liber E. C. E., 31, folio 465. Assigned to George B. Warren for the use of Phebe W. Tayloe, May 31, 1870. Liber 872, folio 169. * *

*George B. Warren, Jr., et al., executors of George B. Warren, to Phebe Warren Tayloe.*—Assignment of mortgage in liber J. A. S., 99, folio 303. Dated June 15, 1880; recorded Dec. 13, 1884, liber 1109, folio 114. Recites that testator held for use of Mrs. Tayloe, and that she is entitled to the assignment.

*Phebe Warren Tayloe's will.*—Dated July 19, 1882; recorded Nov. 21, 1884, Wills 21, folio 477. All rest and residue of her estate to niece Elizabeth H. Price whom she appoints sole executrix. And she qualified Nov. 21, 1884.

*Elizabeth H. Price, sole executrix, residuary legatee and devisee under the will of Phebe Warren Tayloe to Eugenia P. Warren, trustee for Edward Tayloe Perry.*—Assignment of mortgage in liber J. A. S., 99, folio 303, dated Dec. 17, 1884; recorded Dec. 18, 1884, liber 1105, folio 293. In trust for Edward Tayloe Perry, with power to discharge the same on payment thereof. * *

*Charles Wilkes to Mrs. Mary Wilkes, (wife,) Jane Wilkes, Eliza Wilkes, Mary L. Wilkes, daughters of said Charles.*—Deed of gift, dated February 20, 1870; recorded Dec. 15, 1875, liber 806, folio 244; re-recorded August 13, 1877, liber 868, folio 71. Lot 13 and part lot 14, fronting 110 feet 4 inches on H street and 62 on Madison Place. Erroneous in description but deemed sufficient.

*John Wilkes and wife to Mary Wilkes, (widow,) Jane Wilkes, Eliza Wilkes, Mary L. Wilkes, daughters of Charles Wilkes, deceased.*—Deed dated June 26, 1877; recorded July 12, 1877, liber 861, folio 187. Lot 13 and part lot 14, same as described in liber 806, folio 244.

*Mary Wilkes, Jane Wilkes, Eliza Wilkes, Mary L. Wilkes by next friend Mary Wilkes vs. Edmund Wilkes and Bessie Wilkes his wife.*—5763 Equity. Sept. 21, 1877, bill to confirm above deeds in liber 806, folio 244, and liber 868, folio 71, so far as Mary Wilkes, wife of Charles Wilkes, is concerned. * * Sept. 16, 1877, decree confirming title of complainants under said deeds.

Mr. M. Ashford, the President of the Real Estate Title Insurance Company, was of opinion that, when all taxes were paid, a conveyance in proper form by Mary Wilkes, Jane Wilkes, Eliza Wilkes and Mary L. Wilkes, and by

Eugenia P. Warren, trustee for Edward Tayloe Perry, releasing the mortgage held by her, would pass a good title.

Bond issue 1886.

At the March meeting of the Club in 1886, the Board of Management was authorized to issue the bonds for the $20,000 loan in such form as might be best suited to attain the end in view.

Architect appointed.

At a special meeting on March 29, 1886, the Board asked Mr. William M. Poindexter, architect, to take charge of the preparation of plans and specifications and the consequent work of repairs and alterations of the new Club house.

Re-incorporation of the Club.

On April 5, 1886, the Club directed that the necessary action be taken to re-incorporate under the act of Congress of April 23, 1884, and a certificate under the act was accordingly placed on record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, copy of which is here given:

The Cosmos Club, a body politic and corporate, created by certificate dated the 13th day of December, A. D., 1878, and recorded among the land records of the District of Columbia, in liber "Acts of Incorporation No. 3," folio 4 *et seq.*, the members of which are of full age and citizens of the United States, and a majority of whom are citizens of said District, does hereby certify:

*First.* That at a regular meeting of the members of said corporation, held on fifth day of April, A. D., 1886, a resolution was adopted and duly entered on the records, whereby said corporation accepted and availed itself of the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the District of Columbia and for other purposes," approved April 23, 1884, and authorized this certificate to be executed and acknowledged by John S. Billings, President, and Francis T. Bowles, Secretary of said corporation, and the seal of the said corporation to be affixed hereto by Francis T. Bowles, Secretary as aforesaid.

*Second.* That this corporation does hereby accept and avail itself of the provisions of said act.

*Third.* That under the authority of said resolution, and by virtue of this certificate, the said corporation shall continue to be known as the Cosmos Club.

*Fourth.* That under the said resolution the corporation does hereby become organized for the term of one thousand years from April 5th, A. D., 1886.

*Fifth.* That the particular business and objects of the said corporation are the advancement of its members in science, literature and art, their mental improvement by social intercourse, and acquisition and maintenance of a library, and the collection and care of materials and appliances relating to the above objects, under the restrictions and regulations established in its by-laws.

*Sixth.* That the number of managers of the said corporation for the first year of its existence under this amended certificate is seven.

Witness the corporate seal of the said Cosmos Club, and the signature of John S. Billings, President, and Francis T. Bowles, Secretary, this 13th day of April, eighteen hundred and eighty-five.*

[Seal of the Cosmos Club.]

John S. Billings,
*President.*
Francis T. Bowles,
*Secretary.*

Signed and sealed in the presence of—
D. Rittenhouse.

United States of America, }
District of Columbia. } ss:

I, David Rittenhouse, a Notary Public in and for the District of Columbia, do hereby certify that John S. Billings, President, and Franics T. Bowles, Secretary, of the Cosmos Club, parties to the foregoing certificate dated the 13th day of April, A. D., 1886, personally appeared before me in the District aforesaid, the said parties being personally well known to me to be the persons who executed said certificate, and acknowledged the same to be their

*The word "eighty-five" is here a manifest error. It should have been "eighty-six." This is evident by comparison with other dates mentioned in the instrument.

act and deed, and the act and deed of the said "Cosmos Club" for the purposes therein expressed.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 13th day April, A. D., 1886.

[NOTARIAL SEAL.] D. RITTENHOUSE,
*Notary Public, D. C.*

Received for record April 15, 1886, and recorded in liber No. 4, folio 49, *et seq.*, "Acts of Incorporation" for the District of Columbia.

GEO. F. SHAYER,
*Deputy Recorder.*

Title of Managers substituted for trustees.

In order to comply with the phraseology of the act of Congress, the Club, at its meeting on May 3, 1886, adopted an amendment to the by-laws changing the designation of the three members who had theretofore been called "trustees" to "managers," so that section 1 of Article II of those by-laws would thereafter read: "The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and three Managers, who, together, shall be a Board of Management." The sixth article of the above certificate of incorporation prescribed that the number of managers for the first year should be seven, which has been the number constituting the Board of Management from the beginning.

Terms of purchase.

At a special meeting of the Club held on May 10, 1886, (the Board of Management having approved the form of bonds to be issued, and having prepared the deed of trust to be executed,) the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved,* That the purchase of the Wilkes property at the southeastern corner of H street, north, and Madison Place, for the use of this Club be completed on the following terms, viz.: The total purchase price to be $40,000, of which $12,500 shall be paid in cash and the balance on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1891, with interest from June 1, A. D. 1886, at the rate of

5 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and secured by first mortgage or deed of trust on the premises; and the President and Secretary be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver all deeds or other instruments of writing requisite in the premises.

Bond issue of 1886 authorized.

*Resolved,* That the said President and Secretary be and are hereby authorized, as soon after said purchase is consummated as practicable, to sign in behalf of this Club 400 bonds of $50 each, or 200 bonds of $100 each, of such form as may be approved by the Board of Management, payable June 1, 1906, or at the option of the Club any time after five years from the date thereof before maturity, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; and to execute and deliver a second mortgage or deed of trust on the aforesaid property to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

The Club re-adopted the resolutions passed by it on February 1, 1886, in so far as they were not covered by nor in conflict with the foregoing resolutions.

Subscribers for bonds of 1886.

Subscriptions for the bonds of 1886 were as follows: Individual members of the Club subscribed for $19,000, the Philosophical Society for $600, and the remaining $400 were taken by Mr. F. W. Stone, who was connected with, but not a member of, the Club.

Second payment.

On June 1, 1886, from the proceeds of the bond subscription up to that date, the additional payment of $10,000 on the purchase price of the Wilkes property was made to Fitch, Fox & Brown, agents, and the following deeds executed:

Deed of Wilkes property to Cosmos Club.

*This Indenture,* made this first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, between Mary Wilkes (widow,) Mary L. Wilkes, Jane Wilkes, and Eliza Wilkes, (all unmarried,) of the City of Washington in the District of Columbia, parties of the first part, and the Cosmos Club, a body corporate,

duly incorporated in the District of Columbia, party of the second part—

*Witnesseth,* that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of forty thousand dollars, ($40,000), current money of the United States, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt of which before the ensealing and delivery of these presents is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained and sold, aliened, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell, alien, enfeoff, convey and confirm, unto and to the use of the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, all those certain pieces or parcels of land and premises situate and being in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, and known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221); beginning for the same at the northwestern corner of said square, running thence east on the south line of H street north, seventy-seven (77) feet, more or less, to the northwest corner of the house recently erected by Saunders Irving, said point being also the northwest corner of the ground conveyed or intended to be conveyed by Mary Wilkes *et al.,* to said Irving and recorded in liber No. 872, folio 173 *et seq.*, of the land records of the District of Columbia, and running thence south about fifty-five (55) feet to intersect a line drawn east and west through the center of the north wall of the Rathbone house, thence west to intersect the west line of said square, and thence north with said west line to the point of beginning, together with the rights, easements, privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise thereto appertaining.

*To have and to hold* the said land and premises, with the appurtenances and hereditaments to the same belonging, unto and to the only use and benefit of said party of the second part, its successors and assigns.

*And* the said parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant with said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, that the said hereinabove described land and premises, with the appurtenances, unto said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, from and against all persons claiming by, through, or under said parties of the first part or their heirs and assigns, or any one of them, the said parties of the first part and their heirs

shall and will forever warrant and defend by these presents; and further, that any act or deed deemed by counsel learned in the law requisite and necessary the more perfectly to assure unto said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, the said land and premises hereinabove granted, the said parties of the first part and their heirs shall and will at all times, at the cost of the person requesting the same, do, perform, execute, and deliver.

*In testimony whereof,* the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

MARY WILKES, widow, [SEAL.]
MARY L. WILKES, [SEAL.]
JANE WILKES, [SEAL.]
ELIZA WILKES, [SEAL.]

[Certificate of acknowledgment before James E. Fitch, Notary Public, District of Columbia.]

Received for record on the 1st day of June, A. D., 1886, and recorded in liber No. 1180, folio 484 *et seq.*, one of the land records for the District of Columbia, and examined by

FRED'K. DOUGLASS,
*Recorder.*

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Release of Eugenia Phebe Warren.

*Know, all men, by these presents:* That I, Eugenia Phebe Warren, of the City of Troy, State of New York, trustee of Edward Tayloe Perry, and assignee under the assignment from Elizabeth H. Price, executrix and residuary devisee of Phebe W. Tayloe, recorded in liber No. 1105, folio 293, of the land records of the District of Columbia, of a mortgage from Charles Wilkes, recorded in liber J. A. S. No. 99, folio 303, of said land records, for and in consideration of one dollar, current money of the United States, to me paid by the Cosmos Club of the District of Columbia, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have released, remised and quit-claimed, and by these presents do release, remise and quit-claim, unto and to the use of said Cosmos Club, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest now vested or supposed to be vested in me by virtue of the aforesaid mortgage and assignment, in and to so much of the real estate described in said mortgage as has been conveyed to said Cosmos Club by the widow and daughters of Charles Wilkes, deceased, with the buildings and improvements thereon.

*To have and to hold* the same unto and to the use of the said Cosmos Club, its successors and assigns, fully released and discharged from the effect and operation of the aforesaid mortgage, the bond therein described and thereby intended to be secured having been fully paid and surrendered.

*Witness* my hand and seal this 4th day of June, A. D., 1886.

*Witnesses:* EUGENIA PHEBE WARREN, [SEAL.]

GEORGE B. WARREN. *Trustee of Edward Tayloe Perry.*

JOHN H. NEHER.

[Certificate of acknowledgment before John H. Neher, Notary Public, Rensselaer Co., New York.]

[Certificate of genuineness of signature of Notary by Shepard Tappan, County Clerk, Rensselaer Co., New York.]

Received for record 12 m., June 5, A. D. 1886, and recorded in liber No. 1189, folio 38 *et seq.*, one of the land records for the District of Columbia. Examined by

GEO. F. SCHAYER,
*Deputy Recorder.*

**Deferred payment of $27,500.**

To meet the deferred payment of $27,500 on the Wilkes purchase, four promissory notes dated June 1, 1886, for $6,875 each, were made by the President and Secretary of the Club, in favor of Mrs. Mary Wilkes, Miss Mary L. Wilkes, Miss Jane Wilkes, and Miss Eliza Wilkes, and secured by a deed of trust on the property dated June 1, 1886, recorded in liber No. 1180, folio 486 *et seq.*, of the land records of the District of Columbia.

To secure the payment of the $20,000 bonded debt, the following deed of trust was executed:

**Deed of trust securing bondholders of 1886.**

*This Indenture,* made this first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, by and between the "Cosmos Club," a body corporate duly incorporated in the District of Columbia, of the first part, and James C. Welling and Jerome H. Kidder, of said District, of the second part.

*Whereas,* the said "Cosmos Club," pursuant to its resolution, a copy of which is hereto annexed and made part hereof, hath

caused to be issued its two hundred coupon second mortgage bonds, numbered from one to two hundred, consecutively and inclusively, each for the sum of one hundred dollars, all bearing date the 1st day of June, A. D., 1886, and in the following form, or to like effect, namely:—

> The Cosmos Club of the City of Washington for value received will pay to.....or the bearer of this bond, one hundred dollars, in current money, on the first day of June, A. D. 1906, or at any time after five years from the date hereof and before maturity at the option of the obligor, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually according to the tenor of the annexed coupons. Principal and interest payable at the banking house of Riggs & Co., Washington, District of Columbia, on presentation of bond and coupons. This bond is one of the two hundred bonds mentioned and described in the deed of trust of even date herewith executed and delivered by said Cosmos Club to James C. Welling and Jerome H. Kidder, trustees, and duly recorded among the Land Records of the District of Columbia, conveying part of Square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221) in said city, to secure the payment of said bonds and interest, and this bond shall not be valid until the said trustees have signed the certificate endorsed thereon.
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> Witness the corporate seal and the signatures of the President and Secretary respectively hereunto affixed this first day of June, A. D. 1886.

*And* meaning and intending to secure the full and punctual payment of said bonds and the interest thereon, according to the tenor thereof and of the coupons thereunto annexed, now executes these presents.

*Therefore this Indenture witnesseth:* That the said party hereto of the first part, for and in consideration of the recited premises, and further the sum of five dollars, current money of the United States, to its treasurer in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt of which, before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained and sold, aliened, enfeoffed, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell, alien, enfeoff, convey and confirm, unto and to the use of the said parties of the second part, their heirs, and to the survivor of them, his heirs and assigns, ALL THAT certain piece or parcel of land and premises situate and being in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, and known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221): BEGINNING for the same at the northwestern corner of said square; running

thence east on the south line of North H street, seventy-seven (77) feet, more or less, to northwest corner of the house recently erected by Saunders Irving, said point being also the northwest corner of the ground conveyed or intended to be conveyed by Mary Wilkes, *et al.,* to said Irving and recorded in Liber No. 872, folio 173, *et seq.,* of the land records of the District of Columbia; and running thence south about fifty-five (55) feet to intersect a line drawn east and west through the center of north wall of the Rathbone house, thence west to intersect the west line of said square, and thence north with said west line to the point of beginning; together with all buildings, improvements, rights, easements, privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise thereto appertaining.

*To have and to hold* the said land and premises, with the appurtenances and hereditaments to the same belonging, unto and to the only use and benefit of said parties of the second part, their heirs, and to the survivor of them, his heirs and assigns.

*In and upon the Trust nevertheless* hereinafter expressed and specified of and concerning the same, and to and for no other use, intent or purpose, that is to say:

*First.* Until default made in the payment of either of said bonds, or any one semi-annual installment of interest thereon, or in payment, on demand, of any sum or sums advanced in payment of taxes or insurance as hereinafter provided for, to suffer and permit the said Cosmos Club, its successors and assigns, the above granted premises, with the appurtenances, to hold, possess and occupy, and the issues and profits thereof to receive to its and their own use; and upon full payment of the aforesaid bonds and sums of money, and all interest and costs thereon, and all proper costs of this trust, to release and reconvey to said Cosmos Club, its successors or assigns, at its or at their own cost and expense, the said above granted land and premises.

*Secondly.* Upon default being made in payment of either of said bonds, or any one interest coupon thereunto annexed, or of any sum or sums advanced or expended for taxes and insurance as hereinafter provided for, when demanded, or any cost, charge, or half-commissions incurred or accruing of and concerning this trust, to sell said above granted and described land and premises, or so much thereof as may be necessary, with the appurtenances, at public auction, to the highest bidder, upon such terms and conditions, and at such time and place, as to said trustees, or the

survivor of them, or the trustee acting in the execution of this trust, shall seem most for the interest of all parties concerned; of all which previous public notice shall be given by advertisement inserted in one or more newspapers printed and published in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, at least thirty days, Sundays excepted; and any sale under this trust may be repeated or postponed, from time to time, as to the said trustees, or trustee acting, shall seem most for the interest of all parties concerned; and upon such sale being made, and full compliance with the terms thereof by the purchaser or purchasers, all the right, title, interest and estate, legal or equitable, whether in possession, remainder, or reversion, of said Cosmos Club, its successors or assigns, in and to the land and premises sold, shall thereupon cease, determine and be forever foreclosed, and the said parties of the second part or the survivor or his heirs, shall convey to such purchaser or purchasers, his, her or their heirs or assigns, the said land and premises so sold, with the appurtenances, in fee simple, free from all liability on the part of such purchaser to see to or account for the due application of the purchase money; and, out of the proceeds of any such sale or sales, the said trustee or trustees, after retaining a commission of two per cent. on the gross amount thereof for executing this trust, shall pay—

*First.* The proper expenses attending such sale or sales, and all moneys advanced or paid for insurance and taxes as hereinafter provided for, and all taxes then charged against said land and premises.

*Secondly.* Whatever may remain unpaid of said bonds, whether the same shall have matured or not, with interest thereon at the rate aforesaid to date of payment.

*And lastly.* The surplus, if any, shall be paid over to said Cosmos Club, its successors or assigns.

*And* the said Cosmos Club, doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, that during the continuation of the trust herein and hereby created, a fire insurance shall be kept and preserved upon the buildings on said hereinabove granted premises to the amount of .....thousand dollars, that the policy of insurance shall be assigned to and held by the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivor, or his heirs, for the benefit of this trust; and further that all taxes and assessments against said granted premises shall be punctually paid, and that on failure

to effect or preserve such insurance, and to pay such taxes or assessments, the same may be effected and paid by the parties of the second part, or any holder and owner of any of said bonds, and the cost and expense thereof shall attach as a lien on said granted premises; and on failure of said Cosmos Club, or its successors or assigns, on demand, to re-imburse the party advancing said cost and expenses, sale of said land and premises shall proceed in like manner as is provided for herein in case of default in payment of said bonds and interest.

And the said party hereto of the first part hath constituted and appointed, and by these presents doth constitute and appoint, Joseph K. McCammon its true and lawful attorney for it and in its name and stead to appear before any officer by law authorized to take and certify acknowledgments and there and then to acknowledge these presents as the act and deed of the party hereto of the first part, to the end that the same may be made matter of record.

*In testimony whereof,* the said party of the first part hath caused these presents to be signed by its President and its Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, the day and year first hereinabove written.

[SEAL.]

COSMOS CLUB,
By JOHN S. BILLINGS,
*President.*

FRANCIS T. BOWLES,
*Secretary.*

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At a special meeting of the Cosmos Club, held May 10th, 1886, and called for the purpose of considering whether the Club should encumber by mortgage or deed of trust the property which it recently agreed to purchase, the following resolutions were adopted, namely:

*Resolved,* That the purchase of the Wilkes property at the southeastern corner of H street north and Madison Place, for the use of this Club, be completed on the following terms, viz: The total purchase price to be forty thousand dollars, of which twelve thousand five hundred dollars shall be paid in cash, and the balance on the first day of February, A. D. 1891, with interest from June first, A. D. 1886, at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and secured by first mortgage

or deed of trust on the premises; and the President and Secretary be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver all deeds or other instruments of writing requisite in the premises.

*Resolved,* That the said President and Secretary be and are hereby authorized, as soon after said purchase is consummated as practicable, to sign, in behalf of this Club, four hundred bonds of fifty dollars each, or two hundred bonds of one hundred dollars each, in such form as may be approved by the Board of Management, payable June 1st, 1906, or at the option of the Club any time after five years from the date thereof before maturity, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of five per centum, payable semi-annually, and to execute and deliver a second mortgage or deed of trust on the aforesaid property to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

A true copy. Attest:

[SEAL.] FRANCIS T. BOWLES,
*Secretary of Cosmos Club.*

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I, John C. Pedrick, a Notary Public in and for the District of Columbia, do hereby certify that Joseph K. McCammon, the duly appointed attorney of "Cosmos Club," for the purpose of acknowledging the deed bearing date the first day of June, A. D. 1886, and hereto annexed, personally appeared before me, in said District, the said Joseph K. McCammon being personally well known to me to be the person named as attorney in said deed, and acknowledged the same to be the act and deed of the said Cosmos Club.

Given under my hand and notarial seal, this first day of June, A. D. 1886.

[SEAL.] JOHN C. PEDRICK, *Notary Public.*

Received for record June 1, 1886, and recorded in Liber No. 1180, folio 492 *et seq.*, one of the land records for the District of Columbia, and examined by

FREDK. DOUGLASS,
*Recorder.*

Alterations of and additions to building.

At the meeting of the Club, June 7, 1886, plans, specifications and estimates, prepared by Mr. Poindexter, were laid before the Club, and the question was submitted as to the advisability of increasing the height of the rooms in the third story of the Wilkes house by raising the roof for the purpose. The matter was referred to the Board of Management with power to act, provided the additional expense should not exceed $2,000. The Board on July 5, 1886, authorized the architect to increase the height of the rooms in the third story, and on October 30, 1886, the Board borrowed from outside sources, on the promissory notes of the Club, $2,000 to meet the expense.

Expense exceeded estimate.

The President announced at the Club meeting of November 1, 1886, that the expenditures on the new Club house had unavoidably exceeded the original estimates by about $1,200, and asked authority for the Board of Management to borrow the amount. This authority was not given until the meeting of December 6, 1886, the Board in the meantime having directed the $1,500 United States 4 per cent bonds belonging to the Club to be sold and the proceeds applied to the furnishing of the new Club house. The $1,200 were borrowed in December, 1886, from outside sources on the promissory notes of the Club.

Use of assembly hall by Scientific Societies.

At the Club meeting November 1, 1886, the Philosophical, Anthropological, Biological, and Chemical Societies were by resolution invited to hold their meetings in the assembly hall of the Club, as soon after its completion as practicable, under such arrangements as the Board of Management should deem proper. Upon an inquiry of a member as to the relations of such societies to the Club when holding their meetings, it was explained that the original purpose of

THE COSMOS CLUB HOUSE, 1886.

the assembly hall was, in addition to Club uses, to afford facilities for the meetings of such societies, and to this end a separate entrance for them had been provided and the building so arranged as to prevent any interference with the Club.

Club reception.

At this meeting a proposition for holding a general reception by the Club was favorably received and referred to the Board of Management to make all necessary arrangements. The Board at its meeting on the same evening fixed upon January 12, 1887, as the date for holding the reception, and on November 29, 1886, appointed a Committee to take entire charge of the arrangements. The date of holding the reception was changed by the Board to January 5, 1897, at a special Board meeting called December 13, 1886.

The Club on December 6, 1886, adopted the following resolutions:

Vote of thanks to architect and president.

*Resolved,* That the thanks of the Club be given to the architect, Mr. W. M. Poindexter, for the great and valuable service he has rendered in planning and supervising the reconstruction of the building, which he has made a delightful home for the Club, and that he be assured that its members profoundly appreciate his devotion to its interests exhibited in this monument of his talent—the beautiful home of the Cosmos Club.

*Resolved,* That the thanks of the Club be given to the President, Dr. John S. Billings, for the important service he has rendered in the management of the business which has provided for the Cosmos Club a home so spacious and commodious on a site so desirable and on terms so advantageous.

Membership.

On December 31, 1886, the membership consisted of 181 resident and 44 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1886 made the following showing:

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 12, 1886, TO JANUARY 10, 1887.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. | Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance on January 9, 1886, | | $1,691 97 | *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| *From members*: | | | Appropriation for House Committee, | $3,128 02 | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,750 00 | | Appropriation for Library Committee, | 387 77 | |
| Dues of residents, | 5,158 00 | | Salary of bookkeeper, | 360 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 517 00 | | Pay of employes, | 1,252 39 | |
| Dues of associates, | 72 00 | | Rent of Club House (23 Lafayette Sq.), | 1,540 00 | |
| | | 7,497 00 | Taxes, water rent, license, telephone, | 281 09 | |
| *From House Committee*: | | | Fuel, | 127 22 | |
| Refundments by the Committee, | | 2,335 54 | Printing and stationery, | 196 32 | |
| *From rents*: | | | | | $7,272 81 |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $334 04 | | *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Rent of Wilkes property before occupancy, | 375 00 | | Payment on Wilkes property and incidental expenses connected with the purchase, | $12,604 25 | |
| | | 709 04 | Alterations, additions and repairs to Wilkes property, | 10.835 86 | |
| *From investments*: | | | Furniture and repair of same, | 979 98 | |
| Interest on investments, etc., | $133 87 | | Billiard tables, | 500 00 | |
| Sale of $1,500 U. S. 4 per cent. bonds, | 1,905 00 | | Interest paid: | | |
| | | 2,038 87 | On debt for Wilkes property, | 1,231 25 | |
| *From moneys borrowed*: | | | On loans, | 48 76 | |
| Moneys borrowed on the promissory notes of the Club, | | 3,200 00 | On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 202 50 | |
| *From proceeds of Cosmos Club bonds of June 1, 1886*, | | 20,000 00 | | | 26,402 60 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 133 01 | Miscellaneous small bills, | | 95 80 |
| | | | Balance on January 10, 1887, | | 3,834 22 |
| | | $37,605 43 | | | $37,605 43 |

The liabilities of the Club at the end of 1886 were the $27,500 owed on the Wilkes purchase, the $20,000 bonded debt of June 1, 1886, and the $3,200 borrowed on the promissory notes of the Club.

## 1887.

Club reception.

The reception authorized by the Club at its November, 1886, meeting was duly held in the new Club house, H street and Lafayette Square, on the evening of January 5, 1887, and was the most satisfactory one that had yet been given by the Club. The subscriptions amounted to over $900.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 10, 1887, were as follows:

*President,* .....John S. Billings
*Vice-President,* .....Henry C. Yarrow
*Secretary,* .....Thomas M. Chatard
*Treasurer,* .....William Brough
*Managers,* ..C. E. Dutton, D. L. Huntington*, S. H. Kauffmann.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, G. Brown Goode, H. W. Henshaw, J. H. Kidder, A. F. A. King, F. W. Clarke, G. K. Gilbert, W. C. Winlock, W. H. Phillips, R. Birnie, William Ludlow, and J. H. Bryan.

Art Committee.

On February 7, 1887, the Club authorized the appointment of a standing Committee on Art.

Sinking Fund.

The Board of Management by its action on Feb. 10, 1887, authorized the establishment of a sinking fund to meet the deferred payment of $27,500 on the Wilkes purchase, and directed the Treasurer to invest $1,500 surplus funds of the Club in a good mortgage note. The Treasurer invested $2,000 in deed of trust notes in March, 1887.

Profits of House Committee.

Previous to this period the Board of Management had required the House Committee to turn over monthly to the Treasurer the entire proceeds of sales and obtain separate appropriations each

*D. L. Huntington resigned as a member of the Board of Management on March 7, 1887, and was succeeded by Joseph K. McCammon.

month for replenishing the stock. This was changed at a meeting of the Board on March 7, 1887, so far as to require the House Committee thereafter to pay over to the Treasurer each month only the "profits" accruing from sales of stock and not the gross proceeds of sales as previously required.

Limit of membership.

The limit to the number of resident members was increased to 300 by an amendment to the by-laws adopted by the Club on March 7, 1887.

Members invited to meetings of Scientific Societies.

On May 2, 1887, communications were received from the Anthropological, Biological, Chemical, and Philosophical Societies extending to the members of the Club invitations to attend any meetings of those Societies held in the assembly hall of the Club.

Club reception.

At the regular meeting of the Club on December 5, 1887, the question of giving a general reception by the Club during the winter was referred to the Board of Management to obtain the opinions of the members as to its advisability. The Board on January 9, 1888, reported 136 members in favor of holding the reception, but recommended that the reception be not held. The Club took the same view, and the matter was dropped.

Extension of use of assembly hall.

An application from the Biological Society for the use of the assembly hall one evening in the month for the meeting of its botanical section, and one from four Club members for its use by them for three evenings for the organization of a society of Geography, were referred by the Club on January 9, 1888, to a special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Harkness, Ward, and Eastman, to report on the same and on the whole matter of the relation of the Societies to the Club.

Membership.

On December 31, 1887, the membership of the Club had increased to 219 resident and 49 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

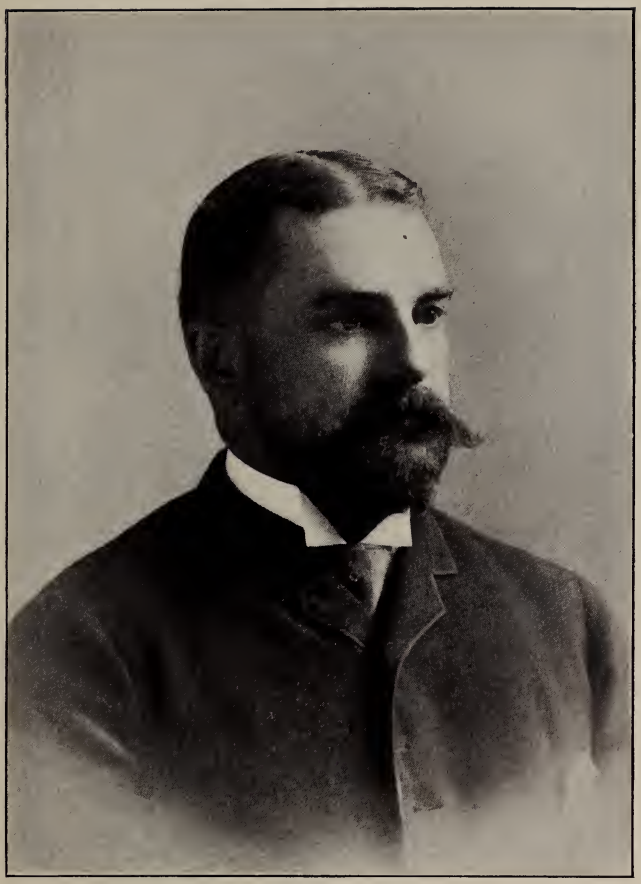
The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1887 made the following showing:

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 10, 1887, TO JANUARY 7, 1888.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance on January 10, 1887, | | $3,834 22 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,700 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 6,432 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 521 50 | |
| Dues of associates, | 63 00 | |
| | | 9,716 50 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Refundments Jan. and Feb., 1887, | $608 42 | |
| Profits of restaurant from March 1, 1887, | 523 17 | |
| | | 1,131 59 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | | 771 00 |
| *From investments*: | | |
| Interest on investments, | | 61 25 |
| *From money borrowed*: | | |
| Money borrowed by Treasurer, | | 500 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 33 50 |
| | | $16,048 06 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriation for House Committee: | | |
| For stock of restaurant, | $2,041 00 | |
| For house expenses, | 1,773 00 | |
| Appropriation for Library Committee, | 649 59 | |
| Appropriation for Art Committee, | 100 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 360 00 | |
| Pay of employes, | 1,559 17 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 457 05 | |
| Insurance, | 280 97 | |
| Fuel, | 257 75 | |
| Printing and stationery, | 342 16 | |
| | | $7,820 69 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations and repairs of building, | $537 48 | |
| Tinting exterior walls of building, | 265 00 | |
| Furniture and furnishings, | 1,360 07 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On debt for Wilkes property, | 1,375 00 | |
| On loans, | 198 58 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 682 50 | |
| Borrowed money returned, | 500 00 | |
| Money invested on real estate security, | 2,000 00 | |
| | | 6,918 63 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 96 25 |
| Balance on January 7, 1888, | | 1,212 49 |
| | | $16,048 06 |

The money-assets of the Club on January 7, 1888, were the $2,000 invested for the sinking fund, and the above balance of $1,212.49. The liabilities were the $27,500 owed on the Wilkes purchase, the $20,000 bonded debt of June 1, 1886, and the $3,200 borrowed in 1886.



HENRY CRECY YARROW.
President January 9, 1888, to January 14, 1889.

## 1888.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 9, 1888, were as follows:

*President,* .....Henry C. Yarrow
*Vice-President,* .....Clarence E. Dutton
*Secretary,* .....Joseph H. Bryan
*Treasurer,* ..... William Brough*
*Managers,* ....Joseph K. McCammon, Jerome H. Kidder, J. Mills Browne.

*Committee on Admissions.*—R. Birnie, H. H. Bates, F. W. Clarke, Henry Gannett, G. Brown Goode, G. K. Gilbert, H. W. Henshaw, J. C. Hornblower, C. H. Merriam, W. H. Phillips, H. C. Swain, and W. C. Winlock.

Qualifications for membership.

In the revision of the by-laws made on January 9, 1888, article 1, section 1, was amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. This Club shall be composed of persons interested in science, literature or art.

Use of assembly hall.

At the regular meeting of the Club on February 6, 1888, the Committee to which was referred the question of the terms upon which the use of the Club's assembly hall should be granted to local societies and also the request of the botanical section of the Biological Society and of the organizers of the Society of Geography for permission to use the said hall, made the following report, the views and opinions in which were, on motion, adopted:

WASHINGTON, *February 6, 1888.*

Assuming it to be the policy of the Club to grant the free use of its assembly hall to scientific societies, so far as that can be done without interfering with the functions of the Club and the

*William Brough resigned as Treasurer and was succeeded by William Harkness on March 5, 1888.

convenience of its members, we have first of all to inquire how great the demands of these societies may become. To render an estimate possible the following incomplete list of the societies now existing in the city of Washington is appended:

Philosophical Society; Mathematical Section of Philosophical Society; Anthropological Society; Biological Society; Botanical Section of Biological Society; Chemical Society; Amateur Botanical Society; Microscopical Society; Geographical Society; Entomological Society; Medical Society; Architectural Society; Theosophical Society; Geographical Club; Travel Club; Woman's Anthropological Society; Woman's Historical Society.

Some of these societies have no real claims upon the Club; but after making all necessary allowances on that account, it is evident that the remainder of the list cannot be accommodated in our assembly hall without seriously abridging its use for Club purposes. Further, for each evening during which the hall is used by a society the Club must furnish about 500 feet of gas, extra fuel and a servant to act as janitor; all of which involves considerable expense.

As the Club house is maintained by the Club for its own use, it would seem that the use of the assembly hall should be granted only to societies whose membership embraces a considerable proportion of the members of the Club. As a guide to what that proportion should be, we have ascertained that of the present resident members of the Club, 41.7 per cent. are members of the Philosophical Society; 32.7 per cent. are members of the Anthropological Society; 24.2 per cent. are members of the Biological Society; and 7.2 per cent. are members of the Chemical Society. About 22.5 per cent. will probably be members of the new Geographical Society. Exceptional cases may arise; but in the opinion of your Committee applications for the use of the hall should not ordinarily be entertained unless they come from societies fulfilling the following conditions, viz:

1. The society should be purely literary, artistic, or scientific, and in no way concerned with the regulation of business or commercial affairs.

2. The membership of the society should embrace not less than 45 members of the Club, (20 per cent. of the present resident membership).

3. The use of the hall should not be granted to any section of a society unless at least 20 members of the Club habitually attend the meetings of the said section.

WILLIAM HARKNESS,
LESTER F. WARD,
J. R. EASTMAN.

Refreshments.

At the meeting of the Board of Management on February 6, 1888, it was directed that punch be served only on the evenings of the monthly meetings of the Club, and on such other occasions as the Board may direct. This was changed November 5, 1888, so as to require punch to be served at every Monday evening meeting of the Club.

Sinking fund.

The Board on March 5, 1888, authorized the investment of an additional $1,000 for the sinking fund.

Control clock.

In April, 1888, it authorized the House Committee to contract for a control clock to be connected with the United States Naval Observatory at a rental not to exceed $30 a year.

Cards of invitation to visitors.

It also adopted the following resolution at the meeting of May 21, 1888:

*Resolved,* That pursuant to Article VI, Sec. 3, of the By-Laws, the Board of Management hereby authorizes the issue of cards of invitation by members of the Club to visitors to the city for a period not exceeding 30 days in any one year; *provided,* that no invitation to the same person shall be for a less period than 10 days. The privilege may be extended only by authority of the Board of Management.

Membership.

On December 31, 1888, the number of resident members had increased to 227 and that of non-resident members to 51.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1888 gave the following showing:

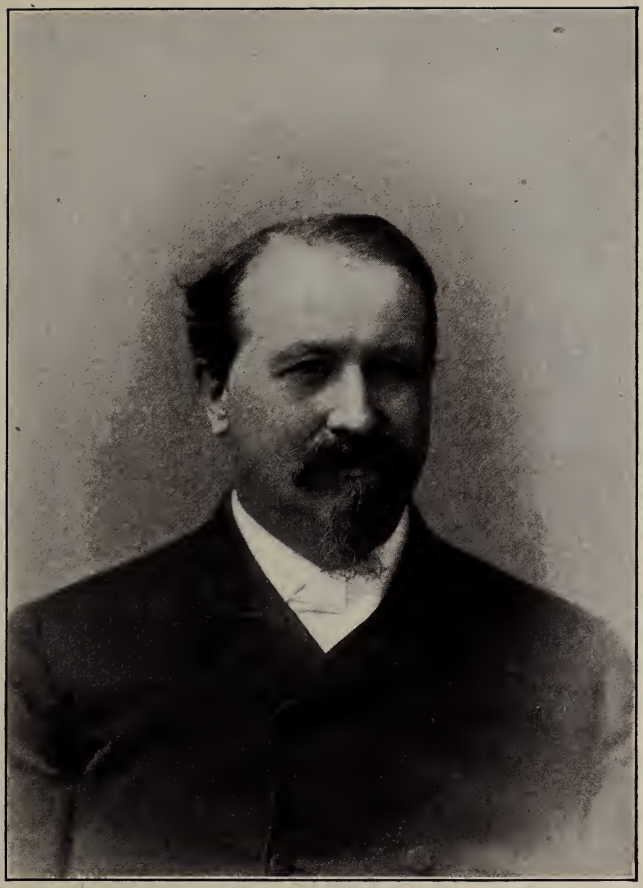
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 8, 1888, TO JANUARY 7, 1889.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance on January 8, 1888, | | $1,212 49 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,400 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 7,301 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 720 00 | |
| Dues of associates, | 68 00 | |
| | | 9,489 50 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Refundment, | $197 00 | |
| Profits of restaurant, | 1,015 34 | |
| | | 1,212 34 |
| *From Library Committee*: | | |
| Refundment and proceeds of sales, | | 112 90 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $643 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 18 00 | |
| | | 661 00 |
| *From investments*: | | |
| Interest on investments, | | 120 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 18 90 |
| | | $12,827 13 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriation for House Committee: | | |
| For stock of restaurant, | $200 00 | |
| For house expenses, | 4,199 60 | |
| Appropriation for Library Committee, | 663 75 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 330 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 628 99 | |
| Fuel, | 118 50 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 450 78 | |
| Furniture and matting, | 35 40 | |
| | | $6,627 02 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations, repairs and improvements, | $91 75 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On debt for Wilkes property, | 1,375 00 | |
| On borrowed money, | 132 00 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 1,175 00 | |
| Borrowed money returned, | 1,200 00 | |
| | | 3,973 75 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 38 50 |
| Balance on January 7, 1889, | | 2,187 86 |
| | | $12,827 86 |

The above balance consisted of $1,567.86 in the general fund, $440 belonging to the fund for the redemption of coupons of the Cosmos bonds of 1886, and $180 interest belonging to the sinking fund. The money assets on January 7, 1889, were this balance of $2,187.86 and $2,000 in the sinking fund. The liabilities were the $27,500 owed on the Wilkes purchase, the $20,000 bonded debt of June 1, 1886, and $2,000 of the money borrowed in 1886.

The records of the House Committee prior to 1888 were destroyed in the confusion of the remodeling of the Club house in 1893. The records of that Committee from 1888, however, are in good preservation. Those for 1888 show that $6,206.11 were expended for stock for the restaurant in that year, and that $1,015.34 were turned in as profits on sales for the year.



CLARENCE EDWARD DUTTON.
President January 14, 1889, to January 13, 1890.

## 1889.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 14, 1889, were as follows:

*President,* ..... Clarence E. Dutton
*Vice President,* ..... Joseph K. McCammon
*Secretary,* ..... Joseph H. Bryan
*Treasurer,* ..... William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,*.... Jerome H. Kidder,* J. Mills Browne, G. Brown Goode.

*Committee on Admissions.*—H. H. Bates, R. Birnie, R. T. Edes, Henry Gannett, H. W. Henshaw, J. C. Hornblower, W. Hallett Phillips, H. C. Swain, C. D. Tows, W. C. Winlock, C. H. Merriam, and O. H. Tittmann.

Club reception.

A petition from certain members requesting the holding of a general reception by the Club in 1889 was unfavorably considered by the Board of Management at its meeting on February 4, 1889.

Painting, etc., of assembly hall.

In the spring, summer, and autumn of 1889, the sum of $739.50 was raised by subscription among the members for placing the assembly hall in good order by decorating the walls and improving the wood-work and introducing better facilities for lighting the hall for evening exhibitions. The designs for decorating the walls were furnished by the Tiffany Glass Company, of New York, and the work of decorating was done by that Company at a cost of $500. The furnishing and repair of gas-fittings and fixtures cost $120.30, and the carpentering $119.15.

*Jerome H. Kidder died on April 8, 1889, and was succeeded on the Board by John S. Billings, who was elected May 6, 1889.

Flag-staff, flag and Club ensign.

A proposition to erect a flag-staff on the Club building and purchase a national flag and a club ensign with appropriate devices for display on suitable occasions was adversely acted upon by the Club at the regular meeting of November 4, 1889.

Membership.

On December 31, 1889, the number of resident members was 230, and of non-resident members, 57.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1889 made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 8, 1889, TO JANUARY 13, 1890.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| Balance Jan. 8, 1889 (including $440 coupon fund), | | $2,007 86 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,600 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 8,962 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 941 25 | |
| Dues of associates, | 127 50 | |
| | | 11,630 75 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Part payment of $1,507.25 expended by Board of Management, | $423 97 | |
| Profits of restaurant, | 1,037 73 | |
| | | 1,461 70 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $529 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 168 00 | |
| | | 697 00 |
| *From subscription*: | | |
| For assembly hall decoration, | | 739 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources,* | | 27 50 |
| | | $16,564 31 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Balance January 8, 1889, | | $2,180 00 |
| From interest on investments, | | 120 00 |
| From transfer from General Fund, | | 2,360 00 |
| | | $4,660 00 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriation for House Committee, | $4,145 00 | |
| Appropriation for Library Committee, | 175 00 | |
| Appropriation for Art Committee, | 37 32 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 518 33 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 495 49 | |
| Fuel, | 272 35 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 470 47 | |
| | | $6,113 96 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations and repairs, and furniture, | $268 22 | |
| Liquors ordered by House Committee, | 1,507 25 | |
| Decoration of assembly hall, | 739 45 | |
| Transfer to the sinking fund, | 2,360 00 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On debt for Wilkes property, | 1,375 00 | |
| On borrowed money, | 32 00 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 1,087 50 | |
| Borrowed money returned, | 2,000 00 | |
| | | 9,369 42 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 8 00 |
| Balance January 13, 1890, | | 1,072 93 |
| | | $16,564 31 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Balance January 13, 1890, | | 4,660 00 |
| | | $4,660 00 |

The $2,000 borrowed in 1886 having been paid off this year, the only remaining liabilities of the Club were the $27,500 due on the Wilkes purchase, and the $20,000 bonded debt of June 1, 1886.

The House Committee expended $4,334.38 for stock for the restaurant in 1889 and turned over to the Treasurer $1,037.73 as profits on the sales during the year.

JOSEPH KAY McCAMMON.
President January 13, 1890, to January 12, 1891.

1890.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting of January 13, 1890, were as follows:

*President,* .....Joseph K. McCammon
*Vice President,* .....John Mills Browne
*Secretary,* .....William C. Winlock
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....G. Brown Goode, John R. Eastman, G. K. Gilbert.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, H. W. Henshaw, W. Hallett Phillips, O. H. Tittmann, Rogers Birnie, H. H. Bates, J. C. Hornblower, H. C. Swain, R. T. Edes, J. H. Bryan, Richard Rathbun, and Charles D. Walcott.

Complaint against the House Committee.

At a special meeting of the Board of Management on January 16, 1890, the Secretary read the following petition signed by thirty-nine members of the Club:

*To the President and Board of Management of the Cosmos Club:*

We, the undersigned members of the Cosmos Club, urgently request that greater care and a more liberal policy be adopted in the management of the affairs of the Club by the House Committee, not only for the better entertainment of strangers, but also for the comfort and pleasure of those members who use the Club regularly; and we respectfully submit the names of the following well-known members, who would unquestionably give satisfaction to all, as candidates for the House Committee for 1890.

The petition named three members as candidates. After considerable discussion it was—

*Voted,* That a Committee of two be appointed by the Chair to consider the petition, and to present a report upon the subject at an adjourned meeting.

The Committee reported at the adjourned meeting, January 20, 1890, as follows:

*The Board of Management:*

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of thirty-nine members of the Club touching the management of the affairs of the House Committee, beg leave respectfully to report as follows:

They have made diligent inquiry among the members, and particularly among the signers of the petition, concerning the grounds on which the complaint appears to be founded. They find that, in respect to the affairs of the House Committee, the general membership of the Club may be divided into two classes: 1st. Those who have little or no contact with the House Committee and have little personal interest in or knowledge of the matters under that Committee's control; 2d. Those who do have contact with it and are personally interested in a greater or less degree—this class, embracing the persons referred to in the petition as "those members who use the Club regularly." They find that a paper differing in tenor from the present one was circulated in the Club by the movers of the present petition, but being considered objectionable by many, was withdrawn for want of signatures and the present paper substituted. This petition is signed by members of both the classes above described, some members of each class signing, doubtless, out of mere complacency, on request, as is usual in such cases.

The petition asks, in respect to the management of the affairs of the House Committee, that there be adopted:

1st. Greater care for the entertainment of strangers and for the comfort and pleasure of those members who use the Club regularly.

2d. A more liberal policy in the management of the affairs of that Committee, having the same general objects in view.

The petition also impliedly seeks the displacement of the present members of that Committee, by presenting for appointment the names of three gentlemen who, it is said, would unquestionably give satisfaction to all.

Your Committee finds that the amount of care taken by the House Committee in the particulars mentioned has been all that the case has admitted of, with the single exception of the matter of heating and ventilation, which has long been a subject of criticism. Recent improvement in this matter has, however, been observed, and a strong hope is entertained for its continuance.

The cleaning of the rooms has, in the opinion of your Committee, been all that could have been desired.

With regard to the prayer for the adoption of a more liberal policy in the management of the affairs of the House Committee, it is due to that Committee to state that so far as expenses outside of the running expenses of the restaurant are concerned, the Committee has been directly controlled by the Board of Management. The Board has been in receipt of and has duly considered many requests of the House Committee for what are conceded to be desirable alterations or improvements, but has been under necessity of declining to authorize them on pecuniary considerations only. Insofar, therefore, as there may be an appearance of illiberality in these particulars, the Board of Management must, in justice, share with the House Committee the responsibility, or indeed assume it altogether. The Board is charged with greater interests than those of the House Committee, and can render explanation of its action, if required.

The entire management of the restaurant has, with the concurrence of the Board, been assumed and controlled by the chairman of the House Committee during the past year. The policy which he adopted and pursued was a re-action from that entertained by his predecessor, and the result has been highly beneficial to the Club. The accountability for money and stores has been brought to a high state of efficiency; the discipline of the employes is now superior to what it has ever been heretofore; and the losses from the pantry have dwindled into insignificance in comparison with what they were at times within a couple of years past. At the same time it is believed that, as a rule, the chairman has striven to accord every reasonable facility and convenience in his power in connection with the restaurant, and has discharged to the best of his ability the trust which was reposed in him. Your Committee doubts not that his administration has met the approval of most of the members of the Club.

Your Committee is aware that some personal feeling has been entertained towards the chairman by some of the members who were captivated by the plans of his predecessor, and who were chagrined by the abandonment of those plans. The full realization of those plans would involve the use of more capital than should under existing circumstances be devoted to the restaurant, and would exact from the members of the House Committee an amount of personal attendance and labor at the Club house more

than could be reasonably expected of any member whose time is engrossed by an outside calling. The effort to realize those plans will, in the opinion of your Committee, only lead to vexation and disappointment. The preparing of cooked food in the Club house is not now practicable for several reasons, one of the principal being the utter unsuitableness of the building for the purpose, even were the Club ready to sink the money that the undertaking, whenever attempted, will involve.

With respect to the displacement of the present members of the House Committee, we have to report that both of the present incumbents have signified to your Committee their desire that their successors be appointed.

The report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

**Meeting the deferred payment on the Wilkes property.**

Preliminary measures were taken early in 1890 for providing means for meeting the payments on the Wilkes property which were to fall due February 1, 1891. At the meeting of the Club on May 5, 1890, the following communication from the Board of Management was submitted:

The Board of Management begs to invite attention to the present indebtedness of the Club, and to report the action taken by it looking to providing for that portion of the debt which falls due on February 1, 1891.

The entire indebtedness at present is as follows:

1st. Deferred payment on purchase price of Club house and lot, represented by four promissory notes for $6,875 each, at 5 per cent., payable February 1, 1891, secured by first mortgage or deed of trust on the Club house, dated February 1, 1886, $27,500.

2d. Bonded debt, secured by second mortgage or deed of trust on the Club house, dated June 1, 1886; bonds at 5 per cent., payable June 1, 1906, or at any time after June 1, 1891, at option of Club, $20,000.

Total debt, $47,500.

The Board at its meeting of February 3, 1890, appointed a committee to consider and report upon ways and means for meeting the debt first above mentioned, and that Committee reported that a payment of $7,500 could be made from the sinking fund on Feburary 1, 1891, and submitted two sets of plans for providing

the remaining $20,000—the one set of plans contemplating the continuance of the $20,000 debt after February 1, 1891, in the possession of persons outside of the Club, and the other the placing of the $20,000 in the form of Club bonds, to be held by the members of the Club.

Meanwhile the Treasurer, as a member of the Committee, obtained from the present owners of the first mortgage debt, (for use in enabling the Club to arrive at a conclusion as to the preferable method of continuing the debt), an intimation of their willingness to give an extension of ten years upon $24,000 of the debt.

Before moving further in the matter it was deemed by the Board desirable to learn whether the members of the Club might not prefer that the outstanding $20,000 should be converted into a bonded debt similar in kind to the present $20,000 second mortgage debt held by them, the bonds to be subscribed for and taken by them exclusively. In order to test the sense of the members on this point, a circular was, by direction of the Board, sent to each member on March 26, 1890, asking what amount of bonds he was desirous of taking in $100 bonds, if the plan of conversion into a bonded debt was adopted by the Club. To this circular written responses have been received, showing that $11,500 of such bonds will be taken. A written intimation also indicates a probable subscription of $5,000, and a possible subscription of $5,000 more from the same taker by the arrival of the time for paying in the money. One of the subscribers for $500 wrote: "I should be glad to take $5,000 if the bonds were $1,000 each. In my opinion $100 is too small." There have also been received verbal intimations from many members of a willingness to take the bonds if, at or about the date the money is wanted, their pecuniary circumstances will permit them to do so.

In the opinion of the Board of Management the obvious advantage of having as much of the debt as possible owned by the members of the Club, warrants the adoption of the plan of converting the $20,000 into a bonded debt, and they believe that the pride of the members in their club organization can be relied on for raising the full amount by subscription to the bonds. The Board therefore submits the following resolution and recommends its adoption, namely:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be and it is hereby authorized to perfect the plan for the adjustment of the indebtedness of the Club, in accordance with its report and recommenda-

tion of this date, and to accept such subscriptions to the second mortgage bonds as have been tendered, or shall be hereafter made, said subscriptions to be payable not later than January 25, 1891.

The resolution, after brief discussion, was unanimously adopted by the Club.

Desire for increasing Club accommodations.

A suggestion having been made to the Board of Management in September, 1890, as to the advisability of executing the security-deed of the new bond issue in the sum of $30,000 instead of $20,000, with the view of providing a means of raising ready money for the purchase of adjoining property for the enlargement of the Club house when opportunity should offer, the matter was given thorough consideration by a special committee of the board of Management, which reported to the Board as follows:

COSMOS CLUB, *October 13, 1890.*

The Committee appointed to consider and report upon the advisability of making the deed to secure payment of the new issue of bonds recently subscribed for to cover $30,000 instead of $20,000—the surplus $10,000 bonds to be negotiated only in case of the purchase of adjoining property for the enlargement of the Club house—begs leave to report as follows:

On September 22, 1890, a circular was sent by this Committee to each of the subscribers to the new bonds, asking if he would consent to the execution of the security-deed in the sum of $30,000 for the purposes above mentioned. The result of the inquiry to date has been as follows:

| | Number of subscribers. | Amount of subscriptions. |
|---|---|---|
| Consent given | 8 | $4,000 |
| Consent refused | 3 | 6,500 |
| No answer | 12* | 9,500 |
| Total | 23 | $20,000 |

*Two of these subscribers (aggregating $1,300) have given verbal notice of their inability to meet their subscriptions.

In order to arrive at the best solution of the question, the Committee deems it expedient to consider:

1st. The membership of the Club in point of numbers.

2d. The financial condition of the Club.

3d. The possible methods of increasing Club accommodations.

4th. The ability of the Club to bear an increase of debt.

### Membership.

During the year 1886 and 1887, after the Club had removed into the present building, the membership very materially increased in numbers. In March, 1887, the limit of resident membership was raised from 200 to 300, and the non-resident list was made unlimited. The following table shows the growth of the Club since 1887:

| | Resident. | Non-Resident. | Admissions during Year. | | Demissions during Year. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Resident. | Non-Resident. | Resident | Non-Resident. |
| January, 1887 ... | 181 | 44 | | | | |
| Year 1887..... | 219 | 49 | 49 | 5 | 11 | |
| Year 1888..... | 227 | 51 | 27 | 2 | 19 | |
| Year 1889..... | 230 | 57 | 26 | 6 | 23 | |

This table shows an increase of membership in 1889 of only 9 over 1888. The increase, if any, in 1890 over 1889 cannot now be given.

### Financial Condition.

*The Debt.*—The debt of the Club is now $47,500. Of this, $27,500 represents deferred purchase-money, secured by a 1st mortgage on the Club property; and $20,000 in bonds held by the members on 2d mortgage. The $27,500 falls due on February 1, 1891. On that date there will be $7,500 in the Sinking Fund, and $20,000 will be raised by subscription to the new bonds. Upon the payment of the $27,500, therefore, the debt of the Club will be only $40,000, represented by two series of bonds held by the members, viz:

$20,000 bonds issued June 1, 1886.

$20,000 bonds issued February 1, 1891.

The payment of the $27,500 on the present 1st mortgage will

advance the security-deed of the bond-issue of June 1, 1886, to the status of a 1st mortgage; and the security-deed of the bond-issue of February 1, 1891, will thereupon become the second mortgage. The right to begin the retirement of the bonds of June 1, 1886, accrues to the Club on June 1, 1891.

*Income.*—The income of the Club is derivable in the main from the dues of members, to which are to be added the admission fees, rent of lodging-rooms and assembly hall, the profits of the restaurant, and a few minor sums from various sources. The following figures express very nearly the average annual receipts for the past three years:

| | |
|---|---|
| From dues, per year | $8,900 |
| From admission fees, per year | 1,500 |
| From all other sources, per year | 1,600 |
| Average annual receipts | $12,000 |

*Expenses.*—The expenses consist of the payment of interest on the Club debt, ($2,000 per year after Feb. 1, 1891;) expenses of the House Committee, including pay of servants and general incidentals, $4,668 per year; Library Committee $475; Art Committee, $50; salary of bookkeeper, $500; taxes, internal-revenue licenses, water-rent, telephone, safe-deposit, fuel, printing, postage, stationery, and small contingencies, say $1,557; making an aggregate of $9,250 per annum. Excess of receipts over expenses, $2,750 per year.

### Methods of Increasing Club Accommodations.

Three methods have been suggested for enlarging the Club-house, namely:

1st. To buy adjoining property.

2nd. To enlarge present structures by additions and alterations.

3d. To remove present structures and build anew.

It is not believed that property adjoining the Club on either side could be bought for less than $30,000.

The building of additions to the present structures could not develop all the advantages which the site (54 ft. 10 in. by 76 ft. 10 in.) affords for a new structure; and any extensive additions or alterations would perpetuate the unsatisfactory old building, with its imperfections and inconveniences only partially remedied.

The rebuilding of the Club house, so as to utilize all the space

and secure all the facilities which are desired, cannot be undertaken while any considerable part of the debt of $40,000 hangs over the property and the membership remains unenlarged.

The purchase of adjoining property, if made, would have practically to be made on credit. If the purchase price should be $30,000, this would entail upon the Club an interest account, at 5 per cent., of $1,500 per annum, to which would have to be added taxes, insurance, water-rent, repairs, etc., amounting to not less than $500 per annum, making an annual expense of $2,000 added to the present running expenses of the Club.

### Ability to Bear an Increase of Debt.

We have seen that the annual income of the Club is about $12,000, and the annual expenses after Feb. 1, 1891, will be about $9,250, leaving an annual saving of $2,750. Deducting $750 from this last amount for use in general contingencies, repairs, etc., there will remain $2,000 each year for the Sinking Fund. The Sinking Fund has been established and has thus far been applied to the cancellation of the debt of the Club incurred in the purchase of the original Club house property.

We have also seen that the purchase of adjoining property will increase the annual expenses of the Club by $2,000, a sum equal to the yearly contribution to the Sinking Fund. The Sinking Fund would hence be absorbed in the running expenses, if the adjoining property were purchased, and the Club debt would become perpetual unless the membership were increased. Even if the Club should decide to forego the use of the property for Club purposes after purchase, it is doubtful whether a revenue by rental could be derived from it equal to the interest on the deferred purchase-money and the cost of maintenance; while any partial use of it by the Club would have to be at the expense of the Sinking Fund established for the original purchase, with no Sinking Fund whatever for the new purchase. Meantime, the inconveniences of the deteriorating old building would have to be endured, with no hope of ever lifting the debt from it with our present strength of membership; and should the membership happen to decrease to any material extent, the holders of the Club obligations would be in a situation to force the winding up of the concerns of the Club.

## Conclusion.

The experience of the past few years does not warrant the expectation of any considerable increase of membership in the near future. In any event, mere possibility of increase, especially in the absence of any stimulating cause, is not a sufficient justification for largely increasing financial obligations. It were better to consider the present strength of membership as fixed, and take the risk only of maintaining it at present figures.

At the beginning of the year 1891, the Club will have accomplished the first substantial reduction of its debt. This will have been accomplished only through considerate and painstaking management, and a patient self-denial on the part of the members of many comforts and conveniences which a more lavish administration of Club affairs would have afforded.

But progress towards the founding and maintenance at the national capital of a club second to none in point of character of membership is thus far encouraging. Its financial condition is gratifying; its income exceeds its outgo by the handsome sum of $2,000 annually. At this rate it is only a matter of a few years when the entire debt will be absorbed. By covering into the Sinking Fund the interest saved by the retirement of the bonds of 1886, and applying it, with the $2,000 yearly saving, to the retirement of these bonds, the entire issue of $20,000 can be paid off in 8½ years from June 1, 1891. One-half of the debt of the Club would thus be canceled by the 1st of January, 1900. When the entire debt is removed, the lot may be cleared, and a handsome, convenient and befitting structure erected, provided with all Club requirements, the money to be raised on mortgage to be repaid by the future members of the Club.

These results cannot be accomplished, however, without a steady continuance in the practice of economy in expenditures, and a persistent determination to resist the impulse to increase the debt for the purchase of additional expensive property, or to delay its payment for actual or supposed advantages to be derived from considerable outlays upon the present unsatisfactory structures.

## Recommendations.

The Committee therefore reports the following resolutions and recommends their adoption:

*Resolved,* That in the opinion of the Board of Management

it is not expedient to adopt any measures at this time looking to the acquisition of property adjoining the Club house.

*Resolved,* That the security-deed for the new issue of bonds be made for $20,000 only, as originally contemplated; and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished to each subscriber to the new bonds.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. A. DECAINDRY,
G. K. GILBERT,
G. BROWN GOODE,
*Committee of Board of Management.*

The foregoing report was read to the Board of Management at its meeting of November 3, 1890, and was accepted with thanks and the resolutions therein contained adopted.

**Membership.**

On December 31, 1890, the number of resident members was 233, and of non-resident members 62.

**Financial statement.**

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1890 made the following showing:

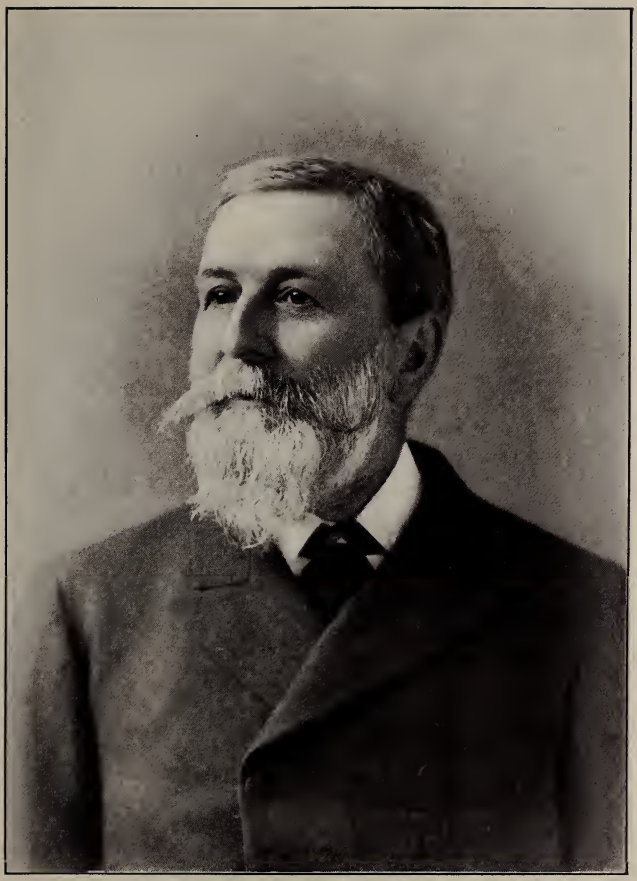
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 13, 1890, TO JANUARY 12, 1891.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| Balance January 13, 1890, | | $1,072 93 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,250 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 10,201 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,141 25 | |
| Dues of associates, | 82 50 | |
| | | 12,674 75 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Part payment of $1,507.25 expended by Board of Management, | $369 54 | |
| Profits of restaurant, | 1,004 34 | |
| | | 1,373 88 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $609 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 234 00 | |
| | | 843 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 2 00 |
| | | $15,966 56 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Balance January 13, 1890, | | $4,660 00 |
| From interest on investments, | | 402 88 |
| From transfer from General Fund, | | 2,437 12 |
| | | $7,500 00 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $4,785 00 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 556 28 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 50 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 346 05 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 318 47 | |
| Fuel, | 140 50 | |
| | | $6,696 30 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations, repairs and improvements, | $754 29 | |
| Interest accrued on investments, | 75 25 | |
| Transfer to Sinking Fund, | 2,437 12 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On debt for Wilkes property, | 1,375 00 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 1,010 00 | |
| | | 5,651 66 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 34 82 |
| Balance January 12, 1891, | | 3,583 78 |
| | | $15,966 56 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Balance January 12, 1891, | | $7,500 00 |
| | | $7,500 00 |

The liabilities of the Club on January 12, 1891, were the $27,500 owing on the Wilkes purchase, and the $20,000 bonded debt of June 1, 1886.

The House Committee expended $3,903.46 for stock for the restaurant in 1890, and turned over to the Treasurer $1,004.34 as profits on the sales during the year.



JOHN MILLS BROWNE.
President January 12, 1891, to January 11, 1892.

## 1891.

Annual election.

The officers and the members of the Committee on Admissions elected at the annual meeting on January 12, 1891, were as follows:

*President,* .....John Mills Browne
*Vice-President,* .....G. Brown Goode
*Secretary,* .....William C. Winlock
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....John R. Eastman, T. C. Mendenhall, G. K. Gilbert.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, H. W. Henshaw, H. H. Bates, Rogers Birnie, J. H. Bryan, R. T. Edes, J. C. Hornblower, W. Hallett Phillips, Richard Rathbun, Henry C. Swain, O. H. Tittmann, and Charles D. Walcott.

At the above meeting the following resolution was adopted:

Bond issue of 1891 authorized.

*Resolved,* That the President and Secretary of the Cosmos Club be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sign and seal, on behalf of the Club, in such form as may be approved by the Board of Management, twenty-nine (29) bonds of five hundred dollars ($500) each, and fifty-five (55) bonds of one hundred dollars ($100) each, to be dated January 31, 1891, and made payable on the thirty-first day of January, 1921, or at any time after ten years from date and before maturity, at the option of the Club, with interest from date until paid at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually; and to execute and deliver a mortgage or deed of trust, (subject, however, to the deed of trust for $20,000, dated June 1, 1886, recorded in Liber No. 1180, folio 492 *et seq.,* one of the land records for the District of Columbia,) upon the lands and tenements of the Club in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221) situated at the southeast corner of H street and Madison Place (or 15½ street,) to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

At the meeting of the Board of Management on January 12, 1891, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved,* That the form of bond for the new issue of 10-30 Cosmos Club bonds submitted by the Treasurer be and the same is hereby approved; and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay off at maturity the Wilkes notes for $27,500, secured by deed of trust dated June 1, 1886, the funds for the purpose to be taken from the subscriptions for the said bonds and from the sinking fund, the final instalment of interest due on said notes to be paid as usual from the general fund.

The form of the bond thus adopted was modeled after the form of the bonds issued in 1886, this issue being made subordinate to the deed of trust of that year. Messrs. W. Hallett Phillips and Henry C. Swain were made trustees to secure the bond-holders of this issue, and the property of the Club was deeded to them as trustees on January 31, 1891. The deed was in phraseology substantially the same, *mutatis mutandis,* as the deed to James C. Welling and Jerome H. Kidder, the trustees under the deed of June 1, 1886, and is recorded in liber No. 1547, folio 414 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia.

Subscribers for bonds of 1891. Payment of Wilkes debt.

The entire issue of $20,000 was subscribed for by members of the Club, and all subscriptions were paid in to the Treasurer by January 31, 1891, on which day the four Wilkes notes, for $6,875 each, were taken up, and a release executed by James E. Fitch and Robert C. Fox, the trustees under the deed of trust given on June 1, 1886, to secure their payment. This release is recorded in liber No. 1547, folio 413 *et seq.,* in the land records above mentioned.

Use of Committee rooms.

The Board of Management adopted, February 16, 1891, the following regulation in regard to the use of the Committee rooms in the Club house:

Any committee consisting wholly or chiefly of members of the Club may obtain the use of the first committee room, or, in case of its previous engagement, of the second committee room, by application to the House Committee, or, in the absence of the members of the House Committee, to the steward; *provided,* that the use of the committee room for such committee shall not interfere with the business of the Club.

Black-ball.

Touching the silent exercise of the right of black-ball without putting the Committee on Admissions on special guard as to undesirable candidates, the Board of Management felt called upon to issue a circular on April 16, 1891, of which the following is an extract:

COSMOS CLUB, *April 16, 1891.*

*To the Members of the Cosmos Club:*

The Board of Management desire to call attention of the members to the desirability of furnishing the Committee on Admissions with the fullest information possible in regard to candidates for membership. The mode of election of new members is set forth in the by-laws, as follows: [Omitted here.]

Not all gentlemen whose names have been proposed have finally been elected members. The names of some have been withdrawn by the proposers; others have not been recommended by the Committee on Admissions; others have been black-balled by the Club. It is always an injury, and it may be a serious injury to a person, to have it known that his name has been black-balled. The possibility of such result deters members from proposing candidates, and it is probable that the Club is thus deprived of valuable additions to its membership; moreover, proposers of candidates thus rejected are thereby offended, and the unity and good-fellowship of the Club are impaired. For these reasons it is important that the Committee on Admissions shall not recommend to the Club the election of undesirable persons—

an error into which the Committee can fall only through imperfect information.

The Board of Management therefore urge upon all members as a duty (to the Club, to the Committee, and to the candidates) that they prevent the black-balling of candidates by giving to the Committee on Admissions full and timely information. If any member knows reason why a candidate should not be elected, he should communicate that reason to the Committee; or if his reason is of such nature that he is unwilling to state it, even in confidence, he should at least communicate to the Committee the fact that opposition to the candidate exists.

By order of the Board of Management:

WILLIAM C. WINLOCK,
*Secretary.*

Servants' livery.

The Board of Management, on the recommendation of the House Committee, directed the putting of the servants of the Club in livery, at the expense of the Club, on June 8, 1891.

Furnishing the assembly hall.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Management on November 9, 1891, the following communication signed by the members of the Art Committee and House Committee, was read:

*November 9, 1891.*

*President of the Cosmos Club:*

DEAR SIR: Having the best interests and future welfare of the Cosmos Club in view, the Art and House Committees have considered possible means of adding to the attractiveness and comfort of the Club rooms.

It will be seen that without a measurable attention to these important features on our part, certain younger clubs drawing their membership from the classes of the community relied upon to support this Club will have decided advantages over us, thus tending to still further reduce the percentage of accession to the membership of a club that we believe to be justly entitled to a first place among the cultured clubs of the city and of the country.

The condition of the Club house is such that no serious alterations or additions can be made to advantage without practically reconstructing the building, and this is for the present out of the

question. But much of a substantial or permanent nature can be done outside of mere current repairs and the replacing of crippled furniture by equally rickety substitutes. The rooms are notably and notoriously deficient in furniture of a substantial nature. At present there is but one piece—the round table in the main hall—that would be given a place in a well outfitted establishment of this kind.

We desire, therefore, to suggest that, if considered expedient, the Club undertake the furnishing of the assembly hall. The walls should be lined with large comfortable sofas and easy chairs, and the fireplace at the east end should be surrounded by high-backed settles. Hangings should be placed across the entrance alcove, in the archway, and at the front bay-window. Rugs should be placed upon the floor, and something should be done to decorate the barn-like skylight. With the more ample facilities afforded by galleries recently constructed, it is not probable that we will be called upon for the use of this hall for frequent or extensive exhibitions of pictures.

The rear portion of the hall furnished as indicated would afford sufficient seating facilities for the ordinary attendance of the scientific societies, so that, save on rare occasions, the furniture need not be disturbed, and the folding doors could be opened at once upon the adjournment of the society meetings. With fires in the fire places, the hall so furnished would prove a wonderful attraction. Persons present when the furniture was removed from the parlors (then undergoing repairs) and placed in the assembly hall must have noticed the beam of satisfaction upon the faces of members when they entered and while they stayed. And it is a notable fact that they did stay.

Furniture of the class suggested could be acquired gradually if heavy expenditure is not warranted at the present time. The financial condition of the Club may be urged as a reason for not favoring the measure here proposed; but we would earnestly advocate its agitation in the Club, and its consideration by the Board of Management as one of the possible means of insuring the permanence and prosperity of the organization.

This communication was followed on December 14, 1891, by a further letter from the Art Committee submitting a number of sketches of furniture suitable for

furnishing the assembly hall. Extracts from this letter were read at the Club meeting the same evening, and the subject was taken up and discussed at the Club meeting of February 8, 1892.

Membership.

On December 31, 1891, the membership of the Club was 227 resident and 69 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1891 made the following showing:

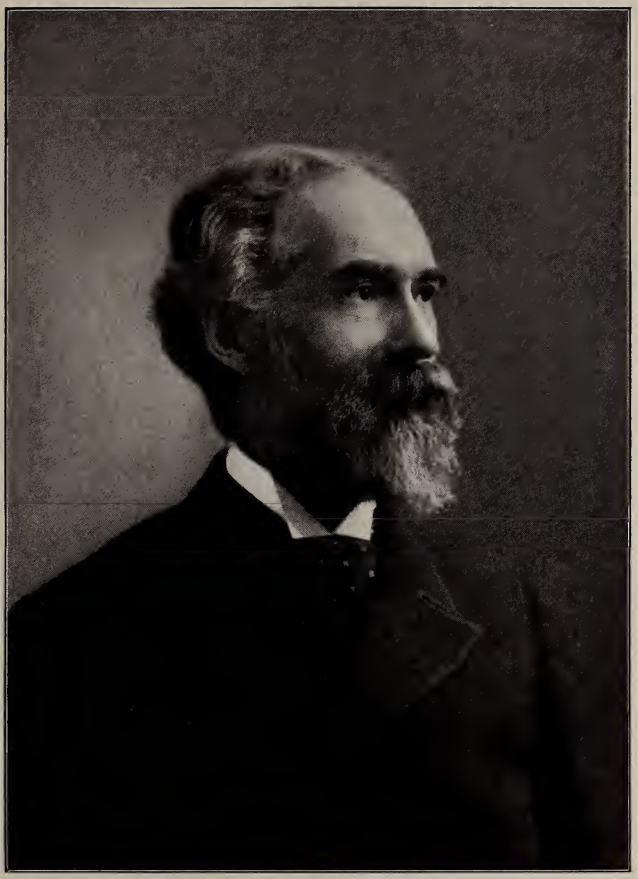
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 12, 1891, TO JANUARY 11, 1892.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| Balance January 12, 1891, | | $3,583 78 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $750 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 5,743 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 698 75 | |
| Dues of associates, | 95 00 | |
| | | 7,287 25 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Part payment of $1,507,25 expended by Board of Management, | 713 74 | |
| Profits of restaurant, | 737 79 | |
| | | 1,451 53 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $575 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 147 00 | |
| | | 45 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 722 00 |
| | | $13,090 15 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Balance January 12, 1891, | | $7,500 00 |
| From proceeds of Cosmos bonds of January 31, 1891, | | $20,000 00 |
| | | $27,500 00 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| GENERAL FUND. | | |
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $5,387 73 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 626 67 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 93 41 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 513 96 | |
| Fuel, | 224 16 | |
| Servants' livery, | 97 80 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 524 30 | |
| | | $7,968 03 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations, repairs and improvements, | $609 44 | |
| Painting (interior) and papering, | 297 55 | |
| Furniture, $185.00; carpeting, $483.69, | 668 69 | |
| Printing Cosmos bonds 1891, | 73 35 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On debt for Wilkes property, | 343 75 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 972 50 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 470 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 500 00 | |
| | | 3,935 28 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 9 65 |
| Balance January 11, 1892, | | 1,177 19 |
| | | $13,090 15 |
| SINKING FUND. | | |
| Payment on Wilkes property, | | $27,500 00 |
| | | $27,500 00 |

The $27,500 due on the Wilkes purchase having been paid off during this year, and $500 of Cosmos bonds of 1886 having been redeemed and canceled, the Club debt at the end of the year stood at $19,500 bonded debt of June 1, 1886, and $20,000 bonded debt of January 31, 1891, a total of $39,500.

The House Committee expended $3,230.65 for stock for the restaurant in 1891, and turned over to the Treasurer $737.79 as profits on the sales during the year.



JOHN ROBIE EASTMAN.
President January 11, 1892, to January 9, 1893.

## 1892.

Annual election.

The election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions at the annual meeting on January 11, 1892, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....John R. Eastman
*Vice-President,* .....G. Brown Goode
*Secretary,* .....William C. Winlock
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,*..G. K. Gilbert, T. C. Mendenhall, J. Rush Marshall.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, H. W. Henshaw, H. H. Bates, Rogers Birnie, J. H. Bryan, Charles D. Walcott, J. C. Hornblower, W. Hallett Phillips, Richard Rathbun, H. C. Swain, O. H. Tittmann, and H. W. Wiley.

Furnishing the assembly hall.

The joint proposition of the House Committee and Art Committee involving the expenditure of somewhat over $3,000 for movable furniture for the assembly hall, not including rugs, hangings, etc., had been referred by the Board of Management to the Club at the February meeting of 1892, and referred back to the Board to report a plan at the March meeting. The report was not made until the Club meeting on May 9, 1892, and was as follows:

Your Board of Management have considered the joint report of the Art and House Committees, referred to them by the Club at its February meeting, and report as follows:

Improvements in building proposed.

The necessity of repairs to the furniture, and the desirability of an increase in its amount and comfort, particularly in the assembly hall, are recognized, and it also seems desirable that some *improvements in the building* should be effected, but the Board are not entirely agreed as to the wisdom of undertaking these *improvements* at the present time. In order, however, to obtain an expression of the opinion of the Club, the Board, without recommendation, submits the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be authorized to expend, at an early day, the sum of $3,000, or so much thereof

as they may deem necessary, to provide furniture of a permanent quality and character for use in the assembly hall and Club rooms, and to make such other *improvements* as in their judgment are expedient.

The Club adopted the following as a substitute for the resolution submitted by the Board:

Furniture only authorized.

*Resolved,* That the matter of refurnishing the Club house with new furniture be referred to the Board of Management with instructions to make such reasonable purchases of new furniture, and such repairs of old furniture, as the exigencies of the Club may, in their opinion, require; subject always to the desire of the Club, hereby expressed, that the debt on account of the original purchase of the Club house be paid off as rapidly as a judicious economy in the matter of Club expenses may permit.

In pursuance of this resolution the Board of Management at a special meeting, June 6, 1892, took the following action, and appointed a furnishing committee to carry the same into effect:

*Voted,* That the sum of $1,000 be now expended in refurnishing and refitting the Club rooms, upon a basis of the expenditure of an additional $1,000, if practicable, after January, 1893.

Improvement of building

At the regular meeting of the Club on November 14, 1892, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be instructed to consider the advisability of increasing the present accommodations of the Club house, and report at the next meeting.

The Board reported at the meeting of December 12, 1892, that owing to the importance of the subject-matter of the resolutions they were unwilling to present a report at that time but would hold the matter under advisement and report at the January meeting.

Membership. On December 31, 1892, the number of resident members was 234, and of non-resident members 73.

Financial statement. The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1892, made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 11, 1892, TO DECEMBER 31, 1892.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. | Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance January 11, 1892, | | $1,177 19 | *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| *From members*: | | | Appropriated for House Committee, | $5,262 89 | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,500 00 | | Appropriated for Library Committee, | 492 05 | |
| Dues of residents, | 7,667 50 | | Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,001 50 | | Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 508 92 | |
| Dues of associates, | 72 50 | | Insurance, | 340 00 | |
| | | 10,241 50 | Fuel, | 250 65 | |
| *From House Committee*: | | | Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 287 57 | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 749 71 | | | $7,642 08 |
| *From rents*: | | | *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $495 00 | | Repairs and improvements, | $399 10 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 225 00 | | Painting and papering, | 33 00 | |
| | | 720 00 | Furniture and repairs, | 486 15 | |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 2 00 | Persian rug and matting, | 503 89 | |
| | | | Interest paid: | | |
| | | | On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 892 50 | |
| | | | On coupons of Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 970 00 | |
| | | | Redemption and cancelation of 1886 bonds, | 1,300 00 | |
| | | | | | 4,584 64 |
| | | | Miscellaneous small bills, | | 42 68 |
| | | | Balance December 31, 1892, | | 621 00 |
| | | $12,890 40 | | | $12,890 40 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the amount of $1,300 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the bonded debt at the close of the year stood as follows: Debt of June 1, 1886, $18,200; debt of January 31, 1891, $20,000; total, $38,200.

The House Committee expended $4,312.02 in purchase of stock for the restaurant during the year, and turned into the Treasurer $749.71 as profits on the sales of the year.

GEORGE BROWN GOODE.
President January 9, 1893, to January 5, 1894.

## 1893.

Annual Election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 9, 1893, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....G. Brown Goode
*Vice-President,* .....G. K. Gilbert
*Secretary,* .....William C. Winlock
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....T. C. Mendenhall, J. Rush Marshall, Swan M. Burnett.

*Committee on Admissions.*—Henry Gannett, H. C. Swain, J. H. Bryan, Rogers Birnie, O. H. Tittmann, Richard Rathbun, Charles D. Walcott, J. C. Hornblower, W. Hallett Phillips, H. H. Bates, H. W. Wiley, and L. O. Howard.

Improvement of building.

The Board of Management discussed, at regular and special meetings in January and February, 1893, plans for the improvement of the Club building, and referred the plans to Mr. J. Rush Marshall, with instructions to confer with Mr. W. M. Poindexter, with the view of completing and perfecting the same. On March 13, 1893, the Board adopted the following resolution and presented it, with a copy of a letter of Mr. Marshall of that date, to the Club at its meeting in the evening:

*Resolved,* That the plan for the improvement of the building which has now been considered by the Board be presented to the Club, with the recommendation that it be approved, and that the Board be authorized to expend $15,000 on its execution with such minor changes as may, in their judgment, be desirable or necessary.

The plan is as follows:

*March 13, 1893.*

*To the Board of Management of the Cosmos Club:*

GENTLEMEN: As a sub-committee of your Board appointed to devise, if possible, some plan for increasing the accommodations and comforts of the present Club house, I submit herewith a

plan incorporating such features as seem now necessary or may be desirable within the next few years, so arranging the plan that a portion or portions may be undertaken at any one time, and so dividing the estimates that the approximate cost of each is given.

Certain repairs and improvements in and around the building are, in my opinion, urgent, viz: Repainting, repapering and re-carpeting the library, billiard room, and hallways throughout the old building, enlarging the cold-air duct to the furnace, making mixing-dampers to send all or any portion of the fresh air direct to the registers or through the heating-chamber as may be desired. The instalment of electric lights and electric fans for ventilation in the assembly hall. Repairing the sidewalks in front of building. If the request is made to the Commissioners before they allot the appropriation for '93-'94, doubtless they will pay half the cost as is usual. The entrance steps require extensive repairs, and if it is decided not to remove the present entrance, a storm vestibule should be built over them.

The plan presented is divided into five propositions, viz:

1st. Building two additional stories over front portion of the assembly hall, making one large room in second story and four chambers in third story; building a bathroom in third story over present bath in second, ..... $5,000

2d. Making grill-room in basement under the front parlor, finishing walls, ceilings and floors in wood, and in a similar manner the north corridors in basement, and making a lavatory under present steward's room, ..... 1,800

3d. Building over present areaway on northeast, making entrance to hall and Club, and over this, in a mezzanine story, provide a committee-room for the societies, isolated from the Club proper. Over this room in second story make room suitable for a board-room. Build areaway to basement under east end of steward's room. Make the Club entrance through the present northeast window in present lunch room, and equip lunch room as coat lobby. Build large window in place of present entrance door-way, .. 4,000

4th. Build a new main stairway in the present lunch room. Make present steward's room into a reception

room, and transfer steward's quarters into the basement, ..... 1,000

5th. Refloor the whole interior, and repaint the whole exterior of the present house, ..... 1,500

This makes a total for all five of..... $13,300

The figures I have given are, I believe, all liberal estimates, and I believe any one af them can be carried out in a seemly manner within them. I have not included the electric lights, furnace changes, sidewalks nor carpeting in the total given above.

Very respectfully,

J. R. MARSHALL.

After lengthy discussion in the Club the following action was taken at the meeting of March 13, 1893:

*Voted,* That the report be adopted, and that the Board be authorized to spend $15,000 on the improvement of the Club upon the general plan submitted, with such changes as they might find desirable.

*Voted,* That a finance committee be appointed by the Chair.

Professor T. C. Mendenhall, who had been appointed on the Finance Committee, made the following report at the meeting of the Club on April 10, 1893:

*To the President of the Cosmos Club:*

Your committee appointed to consider and report upon the best method of raising funds for the improvement of the Club building submits the following:

In considering the source from which may be obtained the sum of $15,000, (the amount of the proposed expenditure as determined by the Club at its last meeting), we are very decidedly of the opinion that the indebtedness must be, for the most part, if not in its entirety, assumed by members of the Club. It is a matter for congratulation that on each occasion when it has been necessary for the Club to secure a loan it has been able to do so by appeal to its own members. Even if outside investors were to voluntarily offer to assume a new debt, it would, in the judgment of the Committee, be altogether better and in the real interests of the Club to continue the practice of confining the loan as far as possible to Club members. As the amount now sought

is not large, your Committee is of the opinion that this method may again be adopted with success. To this end the following plans, three in number, are submitted, upon which the Committee will endeavor to obtain the opinion of members of the Club, by which they may be guided in making a selection:

1st. The issue of Club notes for the amount required, drawing interest at 6 per cent. per annum, to run for a short period, and to take precedence in the matter of payment over bonded obligations.

2d. The issue of third mortgage bonds, drawing interest at 5 per cent. per annum.

3d. A call of the first mortgage bonds, making the present second mortgage a first mortgage, and the issue of second mortgage 5 per cent. bonds for $33,000.

It is our desire to issue a circular letter to members of the Club asking each his preference, among these three methods, of negotiating a loan, and the amount in bonds or notes he would himself take under each of the several projects. With the information thus obtained, the Committee can make a definite recommendation as to the method which should be adopted. To enable this to be done, an extension of the time for a final report until the next monthly meeting of the Club is respectfully requested.

Professor Mendenhall, after submitting the report above quoted, said that, as an individual member of the Club, learning that some of the members were desirous of considering further the propriety of increasing the Club debt—although he had no doubt himself of the propriety of this action—he wished to move a reconsideration of the vote of the Club at the last meeting whereby the Board of Management was authorized to spend $15,000 in the improvement of the Club building.

The motion for reconsideration being carried, a general discussion ensued upon the wisdom of increasing the existing Club debt. Professor Harkness spoke at length in opposition to the proposed alterations of the building, and advocated the continued payment of the debt so as to enable the Club house to be rebuilt entirely, with the hope

that in the meantime additional ground adjoining the present club site might be secured.

The by-laws required a two-thirds vote for any proposition originating in open Club authorizing an expenditure of more than $100. After prolonged debate a vote was taken upon a substitute for the motion adopted at the last meeting, and the vote standing 41 in the affirmative and 19 in the negative was declared carried. The substitute was as follows:

> That the report of the Board be adopted, and that the Club is of the opinion that an expenditure of $15,000 for the improvement of the Club house upon the general plan submitted is desirable.

On April 22, 1893, the Finance Committee addressed the following circular to the members of the Club in pursuance of the wish expressed in debate that the membership should be canvassed:

[*Confidential.*]

COSMOS CLUB, *April 22, 1893.*

DEAR SIR: After prolonged consideration by the Board of Management and full and fair discussion in open Club, at its meeting held April 10, 1893 (notice of which meeting was given to all members), it was decided by the Club, by a vote of 41 to 19, that it was desirable to undertake at this time a series of alterations of and additions to the Club-house, intended to develop the entire capacity of the present structure for affording needed additional facilities in the way of a new billiard-room, chess and card room, a grill-room as an adjunct to the restaurant, a new Board-room, a private meeting-room for the use of the governing bodies of the Scientific Societies which meet in the assembly hall, and, incidentally, the change of the Club entrance, making provision for a new cloak-room, the construction of a number of lodging-rooms on the third floor, the improvement of the sidewalks, and the placing of the whole property in a renovated condition, such as will neither require nor permit any further considerable expenses until the Club is ready to tear down its present structure for the purpose of erecting an entirely new building.

The improvements projected are estimated to cost $15,000.

The undersigned, having been appointed as a Finance Committee to report upon the most desirable method of raising this sum for the purpose proposed, made a preliminary report to the Club at its meeting of April 10, 1893, in which occurs the following:

In considering the source from which may be obtained the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (the amount of the proposed expenditure as determined by the Club at its last meeting), we are very decidedly of the opinion that the indebtedness must be for the most part, if not in its entirety, assumed by members of the Club.

It is a matter for congratulation that on each occasion when it has been necessary for the Club to secure a loan it has been able to do so by an appeal to its own members.

Even if outside investors were to voluntarily offer to assume a new debt, it would, in the judgment of the Committee, be altogether better and in the real interests of the Club to continue the practice of confining the loan as far as possible to Club members.

As the amount now sought is not large, your Committee is of the opinion that this method may again be adopted with success. To this end the following plans, three in number, are submitted:

(1)—The issue of Club notes for the amount required, drawing interest at 6 per cent. per annum, to run for a short period, and to take precedence in the matter of payment over bonded obligations.

(2)—The issue of third mortgage bonds, drawing interest at 5 per cent. per annum.

(3)—A call of the first mortgage bonds, making the present second mortgage a first mortgage, and the issue of second-mortgage 5 per cent. bonds for $33,000.

To these may now be added:

(4)—Same as (3), except that the second-mortgage bonds shall be for $30,000, and $3,000 to be raised on Club notes at 5 per cent. per annum.

In explanation it may be well to remind members of the Club that there are now two deeds of trust against the property, one to secure bonds to the amount of $18,200, the other to secure bonds amounting to $20,000. The first series of bonds became subject to call on June 1, 1891, and will mature June 1, 1906; the second series will become subject to call January 31, 1901, and will mature January 31, 1921.

If the first series of bonds be now called, the second series, known as 10-30 bonds, will become a first lien upon the property, not maturing until 1921 and not subject to call before 1901. A new series, to include the amount of this first series and the additional $15,000 desired, amounting to $33,000, would then have to be issued, secured by *second* mortgage, the total bonded indebtedness of the Club being $53,000.

If the loan be negotiated on the security of a *third* mortgage, the present indebtedness remaining as now, the total amount would again be $53,000, but having the advantage that bonds now subject to call could be retired and interest diminished as

fast as money was available. The only objection to this method arises out of the usual prejudice against a third mortgage.

The first plan, that of raising the money on Club notes at 6 per cent. per annum, would not disturb the present bonded indebtedness, while offering as an inducement to the lender the increased rate of interest in lieu of the security of a further mortgage of the property.

There is still another plan, which was not presented to the Club at the April meeting, but which seems to possess some decided advantages. It is, to call the first-mortgage bonds and negotiate a new loan on a second mortgage for $30,000, instead of $33,000 as proposed in plan (3), the remaining $3,000 required for the proposed improvements to be raised on Club notes at 5 per cent. per annum. This plan restricts the bonded indebtedness of the Club to $50,000, and provides a method whereby a portion of the debt may be lifted at any time after two or three years. It will be nearly eight years before a call can be made on the present 10-30 bonds. This plan would promise, therefore, an earlier diminution of the debt and the interest account than either (2) or (3), and would seem to meet the desires of those who would prefer to lessen the amount of the bonded indebtedness and at the same time are of the opinion that a portion of the increased indebtedness should be paid within a few years. This proposition is incorporated with others already submitted to the Club, as plan (4) above.

The Committee is desirous of ascertaining the sentiment and disposition of the Club in this matter, and with a view of determining the preferences of the members and the amount which they are willing to subscribe under any one of the several plans, the enclosed circular has been prepared, to which the attention of every member of the Club is earnestly directed.

On the question of the safety of the investment for members of the Club, it is to be said that while the amount desired to be negotiated carries the debt against the property up to about three-fourths of its present estimated market value, the investment is believed to be a safe one for any one, the property, including what is generally admitted to be the finest Club site in the national capital, being situated in a locality which will probably never suffer a depreciation of value, and the present debt being held almost entirely by members of the Club and by institutions known to be friendly to it.

A careful calculation will show that when a fair allowance for the increased expenses of the Club is made, the income of the Club, on the basis of the present membership and rates of dues, will suffice for meeting the increased interest account and the increased running expenses consequent upon the enlargement of the Club facilities. It is reasonable to suppose that the increased facilities will attract to membership some eligible persons who have heretofore refrained from joining on account of the want of those facilities. The addition of thirty new members to our present list would insure a contribution to the sinking fund of over a thousand dollars a year, and the addition of twice as many, carrying our list up to the three-hundred limit, would insure perfect ease of financial management and a rapid increase of the sinking fund, after all running expenses are paid.

Under a conservative view of the case, it seems fair to expect at least the less favorable of these two conditions, and with this the Club would be free from financial anxiety, no account having been taken in the above calculation of the receipts from entrance fees.

In any event, there can be no doubt of the power of the Board of Management to keep the running expenses within limits which will insure against disaster while the Club is adjusting itself to the new conditions.

May the Committee, therefore, ask your early consideration of the matter, and request the favor of your answers on the accompanying form? It is highly desirable that responses should be received by May 1st.

Please find addressed envelope inclosed.

Very respectfully,

T. C. MENDENHALL,
J. S. BILLINGS,
WM. A. DECAINDRY.

At the regular meeting of the Club May 8, 1893, Professor Mendenhall reported that in response to the above circular about 40 replies had been received, and but $5,000 had been offered in 12 subscriptions. He expressed his doubt as to the advisability of proceeding with the improvements when such light support was spontaneously given the proposition by the Club at large, though he felt

confident that the improvements were desirable, even necessary to the welfare of the Club, and that the required sum could be raised. A motion being made to discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the subject, the debate took the form of a re-discussion of the whole question of the desirability of improving the Club building and of the best means of raising the necessary funds. The Club by the vote of 44 ayes, to 8 nays, finally adopted the following motion:

That the report of the Finance Committee be received and the Committee be continued, with instructions to ascertain by a further circular whether it be feasible to raise the sum of $15,000 under the second plan suggested by the Committee.

On motion it was:

*Voted,* That the Committee be empowered to call upon members to assist in canvassing the Club for subscriptions to the proposed loan.

*Voted,* That the Committee be instructed to include in their circular an inquiry as to the number of members in favor of increasing the Club debt $15,000 for the purpose proposed.

A special meeting of the Board of Management was called on June 1, 1893, to take action in view of an intimation from the Finance Committee in regard to the unsatisfactory amount of subscriptions to the loan of $15,000. After discussion it was:

*Voted,* That the President be requested to increase the number of members of the Finance Committee; that the Board expresses its cordial endorsement of the proposed plan for improving the Club, and its hope that a hearty support to the movement will be given by the members through subscriptions to the proposed loan; and, furthermore, that upon the necessary funds becoming available the Board is prepared to proceed without delay to carry out the plans as authorized by the Club.

On June 6, 1893, the Chairman of the Finance Committee addressed the following circular to each member of the Club:

[*Confidential.*]

COSMOS CLUB, *June 6, 1893.*

DEAR SIR: At the last regular meeting of the Club a report was submitted by the Finance Committee recently appointed to consider various plans for raising funds for the purpose of making alterations in the Club house, and to ascertain the amounts which members were willing to subscribe as a loan.

After a full consideration of the subject it was determined to proceed upon the second of the several plans proposed, namely, the issue of third mortgage bonds for $15,000, drawing interest at 5 per cent. per annum, and the committee was instructed to continue its operations upon this basis.

In soliciting subscriptions to this loan the committee wishes to invite the attention of members to the following considerations:

It is proposed to undertake a series of alterations and additions to the Club house intended to develop the entire capacity of the present structure for affording needed additional facilities in the way of a new billiard room, chess and card room, grill room as an adjunct to the restaurant, a new Board room, a private meeting room for the use of the governing bodies of the scientific societies which meet in the assembly hall, and, incidentally, the change of the Club entrance, making provision for a new cloak room, the construction of a number of lodging rooms on the third floor, the improvement of the sidewalks, and the placing of the whole property in a renovated condition, such as will neither require nor permit any further considerable expense until the Club is ready, as it may possibly be at some time in the distant future, to tear down the present structure for the purpose of erecting an entirely new building.

In considering the raising of funds for the purpose of making these extremely desirable, not to say necessary improvements, by means of a loan which is believed may be placed entirely with Club members, the matter may be viewed from the standpoint of the investor on the one hand, and that of the Club member on the other.

To the investor it will appear that the property of the Club offers ample security for the payment of its obligations, including

the proposed increase of its indebtedness. The debt of the Club secured by mortgage, and there is no other, amounts at the present time to $38,000. This is hardly more than half the value of the property in the opinion of many good judges, and on a conservative estimate this amount, together with the proposed increase, making $53,000 in all, is much and safely below the actual value of the Club property. The situation of the Club house cannot be equaled elsewhere in the city and no other location is as certain to maintain under adverse, or to exceed under favorable, conditions the value put upon it at the present time. The rate of interest is fair, the payment of the same is almost certain to be regular and prompt, and the investment will extend over a considerable term of years, thus offering unusual advantages to investors.

To the Club member the proposition appeals as one offering relief from a condition of things which has continually grown less endurable during the past few years, and as likely to so increase the convenience, comfort and attractiveness of the Club house that it may fairly be expected to do much towards launching it on a new wave of prosperity.

The plan selected by the Club has the advantage over others proposed that it leaves existing issues of bonds undisturbed and permits of the call and cancelation of bonds of the first issue as fast as money is available for so doing.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Managers of the Club it was voted:

> That the President be requested to increase the number of members of the Finance Committee; that the Board express its cordial endorsement of the proposed plan for improving the Club, and its hope that a hearty support of the movement will be given by the members through subscriptions to the proposed loan; and, further, that upon the necessary funds becoming available the Board is prepared to proceed without delay to carry out the plans as authorized by the Club.

It is earnestly desired that all members shall take an interest in the proposed Club improvements, and that no subscription to the loan shall be withheld because it cannot be large. It is believed that many younger members of the Club will find an investment of fifty, one hundred or two hundred dollars in these bonds at once safe and convenient as in effect diminishing in some degree the burden of the annual dues.

Although the project of making these improvements in the Club

house has been three times approved by large majorities at the regular Club meetings, in order that no member shall fail of an opportunity to express his opinion, the Committee was instructed to include in their circular an inquiry as to the number of members in favor of increasing the Club debt $15,000 for this purpose, and that this may be done a blank space is left after the word "do" in the enclosed return letter, in which the word "not" may be inserted if you do not favor the improvement of the Club house in the manner proposed.

Subscriptions made under a previous circular will be assumed to hold good under this, unless otherwise requested, but additions to these subscriptions will be gladly received and in some cases will be expected.

A stamped and addressed envelope containing a blank form for reply is enclosed herewith, and you are requested to seal and post the same after filling the blanks. As the Committee is instructed to report on Monday evening next, June 12th, it is hoped that you will give this matter your immediate attention and that the reply will be mailed not later than the evening of Saturday, the 10th inst.

Respectfully,

T. C. MENDENHALL,
*Chairman of Finance Committee.*

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| J. S. BILLINGS, | R. T. HILL, |
| W. A. DE CAINDRY, | J. R. MARSHALL, |
| S. M. BURNETT, | J. S. DILLER, |
| THOMAS WILSON, | L. O. HOWARD, |
| W. C. WINLOCK, | C. J. BELL. |

At the regular meeting of the Club on June 12, 1893, the chairman of the Finance Committee made an oral report announcing that the Committee had been assisted by eight members of the Club in canvassing under the authority of the Club's action of May 8, 1893, and that in response to the Committee's circular of June 6, 1893, 130 replies had been received, of which 107 favored the proposed improvement and the consequent increase in the Club debt, and 23 opposed it; and that the total amount subscribed was $18,400, in 55 subscriptions, some 3 or 4

of those who were opposed to the changes having nevertheless subscribed to the bonds.

The Club thereupon adopted the following resolution, which was carried by a vote of 55 in the affirmative and 2 in the negative, out of 72 members present:

Bond issue of 1893 authorized.

*Resolved,* That the President and Secretary of the Cosmos Club be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sign and seal on behalf of the Club, in such form and in such denominations as may be approved by the Board of Management, bonds not exceeding in total amount the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars, to be dated July 31, 1893, and made payable on the 31st of July, 1923, or at any time after ten (10) years from date and before maturity at the option of the Club, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of five (5) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and to execute and deliver a mortgage or deed of trust (subject, however, to the deed of trust for $20,000, dated June 1, 1886, recorded in liber No. 1180, folio 492 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia, and to the deed of trust for $20,000, dated January 31, 1891, recorded in liber No. 1547, folio 414 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia,) upon the lands and tenements of the Club in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221), situated at the southeast corner of H street and Madison Place (or 15½ street) to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

The Club also adopted the following resolution:

Improvement of the building.

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be authorized and directed to proceed to execute the improvements of the Club house in accordance with the previous action of the Club.

As in the case of the bond issue of January 31, 1891, the form of the bond adopted for the issue of July 31, 1893, was modeled after the form of the issue of June 1,

1886, Messrs. Joseph K. McCammon and Charles J. Bell being named as trustees, to whom the property of the Club was deeded on July 31, 1893. The deed is recorded in liber No. 1830, folio 335, *et seq.*, one of the land records of the District of Columbia.

Improvement of the building.

The Board of Management met on June 12, 14 and 17, 1893, and discussed the plans for the improvements and the general scheme to be adopted. On July 28, 1893, the Board voted:

Architects appointment.

That Messrs. Hornblower and Marshall be requested to take charge, as architects, of the contemplated improvements in the building.

Mr. Marshall thereupon submitted plans at that meeting which were examined by the members present, and it was:

*Voted*, That the architects be instructed to procure bids for doing the work upon the plans submitted, and to report at a special meeting of the Board.

Plans and specifications.

On August 14, 1893, the architects submitted to the Board plans and specifications, with statement of proposals that had been received from three builders for doing the work of main construction, the lowest proposal being $10,500, and also an estimate of cost of additional work and materials required to finish the improvements and of the architects' fee, amounting in all to $4,500. With some modifications to reduce the cost of construction in the basement, and the striking out of certain items, the plans were adopted, and the architects directed to prepare the necessary contract papers and begin the work.

Work ordered.

Club reception.

At the Club meeting of December 11, 1893, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved,* That it is the sense of the Club that a reception be given during the winter, provided that a Committee on arrangements to be appointed by the President shall first ascertain if it is financially feasible.

Improvement of the building.

The annual report of the Board of Management made to the Club at its annual meeting on January 8, 1894, contained the following:

During the year 1892—and, in fact, for several years previous—the belief that the Club house did not offer facilities commensurate with the Club membership existed among many members, and occasionally found expression in complaints to the Board of Management. The narrow, ill-arranged entrance, and the lack of arrangements for properly caring for hats, coats, umbrellas, etc., constantly pointed to the necessity for some improvement which would offer at least temporary relief. The Board gave much consideration to the subject, and frequent attempts were made to devise plans for absolutely necessary improvements at a cost of a few hundred or a few thousand dollars. In all these attempts the conclusion was forced upon the Board that any changes which would be recognized as a considerable improvement over existing conditions must be extensive and expensive; that partial, temporary relief at a comparatively small cost would be wholly unsatisfactory, and that the Club must contentedly submit to the inconveniences to which it was subjected or it must undertake extensive modifications and enlargements. Similar views were entertained by many members of the Club, and in the latter part of the year 1892 the subject was much discussed and various plans of improvement were talked over.

Early in the year 1893 the Board made a report to the Club, recommending the expenditure of a considerable sum of money for the purpose. On March 13, the Club voted to expend $15,000 in house improvements, the amount to be raised by the issue of bonds. The discussion which took place at that and subsequent meetings, the steps that were taken to secure a thorough canvass of the Club membership, and the appointment of a committee to receive [solicit] subscriptions, are events so recent that a review of them in detail is unnecessary. On June 12 it was announced that subscriptions amounting to $18,400 had been received, being $3,400 more than was called for. The Club then

instructed the Board of Management to proceed with the improvement and modification of the Club house, the cost to be restricted to the $15,000 raised by the issue of third mortgage bonds.

Through the several delays that had occurred since the acceptance of the scheme, two or three of the best months for work of this kind—the months during which the members of the Club would have been least inconvenienced—were allowed to pass; and the final maturing of plans, the letting of contracts, etc., still further postponed the beginning; so that the summer was more than half over before the work was well under way. The further fact that the architects and builders were requested by the Board to arrange the work so that the Club house should be at no time uninhabitable—so as to subject the members to the minimum amount of inconvenience—necessarily prolonged the operations in no small degree. The Board selected Messrs. Hornblower and Marshall as architects, and to the great personal interest which these gentlemen manifested in the work the Club is indebted for a large measure of the success with which it has been executed.

The continued delay in the completion is a source of deep regret to the Board, and while it seems to have been unavoidable, the Management have fully appreciated the serious inconvenience to which the members of the Club have been subjected during the past two or three months. They desire to express their appreciation of the patience and forbearance almost universally exhibited during these months, in spite of the many discomforts of the situation. * *

Unfortunately, even to-night, the Management are unable to report the work as entirely completed, as there are still some details of finishing which will require a few days more. Enough is done, however, to enable members to form a good idea of the general result.

The Board itself does not consider the improvements everything that could be wished; but it invites attention to the fact that in character and style the modifications were necessarily restricted by the nature of the existing building, and in degree or quantity by the inconvenient but incontrovertible fact that $15,000 will not purchase $25,000 worth of work. The Management have much satisfaction, however, in announcing to the Club that they now turn the business over to their successors with the improvements completed, without incurring a dollar of indebtedness be-

yond the $15,000 bond issue originally voted by the Club, and with a surplus of receipts over expenditures during the year 1893 of about $1,600, a portion of which has been already set aside for carpeting now in progress.

The Treasurer's report at that annual meeting stated as follows, the bonds having all been subscribed for by members of the Club:

The debt of the Club was increased during the year by a loan of $15,000, negotiated in accordance with the requirements of the Club. Of the bonds issued under the loan $13,800 have been taken and paid for by the subscribers, leaving $1,200 of the bonds still in the hands of the Treasurer to be called for. It is thought that, in view of the stringency of the times, several of the subscribers for these uncalled for bonds would be glad to be released from their subscriptions. Five hundred dollars of these bonds could be delivered at once to any one desirous of taking them. As the dues for the current year have now begun to come in, the Treasurer may be able to carry these $1,200 of bonds for a reasonable time without embarrassment to the Treasury, but they should be taken up by subscribers at as early a day as practicable.

Membership. The membership on December 31, 1893, consisted of 299 resident and 63 non-resident members.

Financial statement. The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1893 made the following showing:

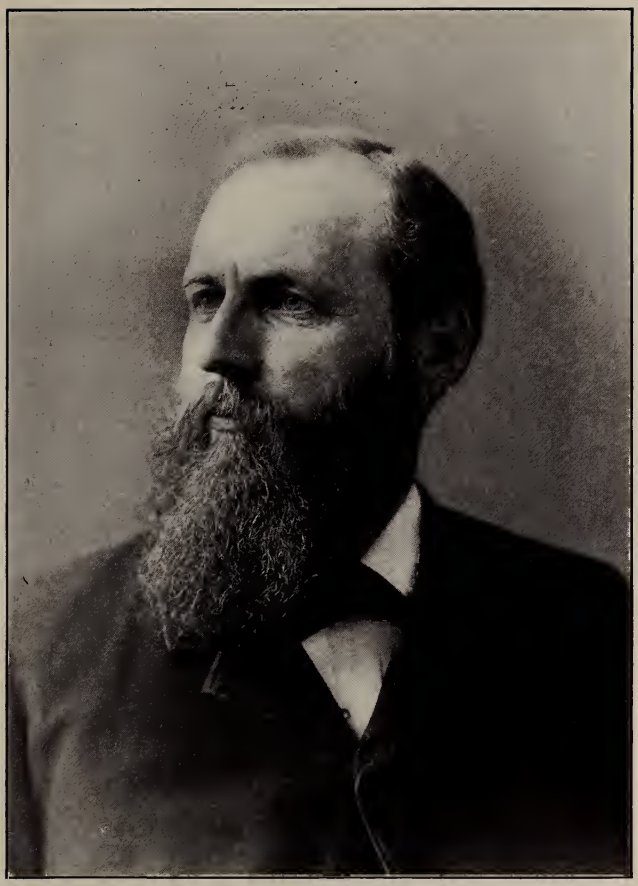
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1893, TO DECEMBER 31, 1893.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1893, | | $621 00 |
| *From members:* | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,500 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 8,067 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,151 25 | |
| Dues of associates, | 115 00 | |
| | | $10,833 75 |
| *From House Committee:* | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 895 26 |
| *From rents:* | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $594 15 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 171 00 | |
| | | 765 15 |
| *From proceeeds of Cosmos bonds of July 31, 1893,* | | 13,800 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources,* | | 99 82 |
| | | $27,014 98 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses:* | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $5,457 00 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committtee, | 575 00 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 25 00 | |
| Appropriated for Entertainments, | 25 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 1,499 01 | |
| Insurance, | 122 50 | |
| Fuel, | 375 03 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 384 32 | |
| | | $8,962 86 |
| *Extraordinary expenses:* | | |
| Alterations, additions, etc., to building, | $9,178 30 | |
| Furniture, | 476 16 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 835 00 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 1,032 50 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 200 00 | |
| | | 11,721 96 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 11 35 |
| Balance December 31, 1893, | | 6,318 81 |
| | | $27,014 98 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the further amount of $200 having been redeemed and canceled, and $13,800 of the bonded debt of July 31, 1893, having been subscribed and paid for during the year, the bonded debt at the close of the year stood as follows: Debt of June 1, 1886, $18,000; debt of January 31, 1891, $20,000; and debt of July 31, 1893, $13,800; total, $51,800.

The House Committee expended $3,850.14 in purchases of stock for the restaurant during the year, and turned into the Treasurer $895.26 as profits on the sales of the year.



GROVE KARL GILBERT.
President January 5, 1894, to January 14, 1895.

## 1894.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 5, 1894, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....G. K. Gilbert
*Vice-President,* .....T. C. Mendenhall
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....Swan M. Burnett, J. Rush Marshall, Henry Gannett.

*Committee on Admissions.*—H. H. Bates, Rogers Birnie, J. H. Bryan, J. C. Hornblower, Richard Rathbun, Rufus H. Thayer, O. H. Tittmann, Charles D. Walcott, Bernard R. Green, E. Francis Riggs, C. Hart Merriam, and H. Randall Webb.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted January 8, 1894:

Vote of thanks to the Board of Management and architect.

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management, and especially the architect in charge, Mr. J. R. Marshall, deserve, and we hereby tender to them, the hearty thanks of the Club for the efficient and satisfactory manner in which they have planned and carried out the improvements of the Club house.

Club reception.

The reception authorized by the Club at the meeting of December 11, 1893, was duly held in the Club house on the evening of February 2, 1894, and was one of the notable events of the season at the national capital.

Lodging rooms in Club house.

The following circular was promulgated by the Board of Management on April 17, 1894:

By order of the Board of Management of the Club certain rooms on the third floor have been furnished for transient occupation by resident and non-resident members and by guests of the Club. The rate of payment has been fixed at $1.50 each day, and a limit of time for occupation by a single person has been

fixed at two weeks, providing there is another applicant for the same room at the expiration of that time. Members are requested to notify the chairman of the House Committee, or the steward, as far in advance as possible, of the date on which they may desire to occupy the rooms, and the rooms will be considered as engaged in the order in which such notifications are received.

To non-resident members the Board of Management desires to further announce that the Club grill-room is now in successful operation, and that when they have occasion to visit Washington they will be able not only to secure lodgings at the Club, but will also be able to get satisfactory meals in the house.

L. O. HOWARD, *Secretary.*

WASHINGTON, *April 17, 1894.*

Improvement of the building.

The annual report of the Board of Management for the year 1894 stated as follows:

The Club entered upon the year with the extensive repairs barely completed, with many bills connected with the repairs still unpaid, and with a great deal still to be done in the way of papering, painting, and furnishing. Moreover, by reason of the enlarged facilities offered to members, the running expenses of the Club had been increased to a very considerable degree.

The balance on hand at the end of the last year was $6,318.81, of which $4,621.70 was a part of the funds raised by bonds during that year for the alterations and improvements. This latter sum, with $1,200 raised by the sale of bonds in this year, was applied towards the completion of the alterations and improvements referred to. Expenditures for the electric light installation, painting, papering, furniture, carpets, bedding, linen, tableware, kitchen utensils, architects' fee, etc., amounted to about $3,500. The only expense under these several heads during succeeding years will be that of maintenance.

The Treasurer in his annual report said:

Subscribers for bonds of 1893.

The bonds of the issue of 1893, amounting to $1,200, which were reported by the Treasurer as still in his hands at the time of the last annual report, were converted into money during the year and applied to the uses of the Club.

THE COSMOS CLUB HOUSE AS ALTERED IN 1893.

As a matter of fact, the last subscription to these bonds was paid to the Treasurer on December 12, 1894.

Membership. On December 31, 1894, the membership stood 263 resident and 86 non-resident members.

Financial statement. The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1894 made the following showing:

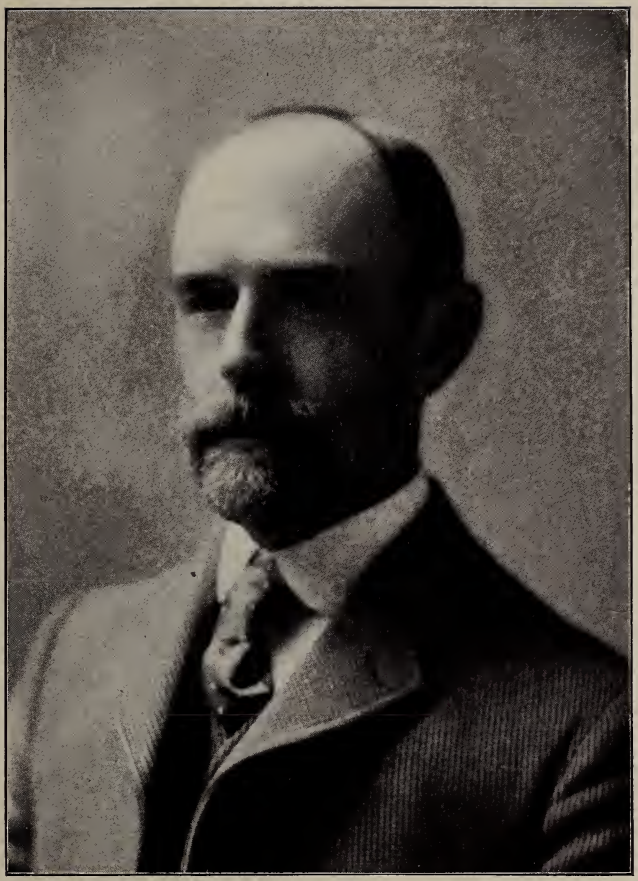
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1894, TO DECEMBER 31, 1894.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1894, | | $6,318 81 |
| *From members:* | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,200 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 8,575 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,282 50 | |
| Dues of associates, | 107 50 | |
| | | 12,165 50 |
| *From House Committee:* | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,209 75 |
| *From rents:* | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,119 67 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 291 00 | |
| | | 1,410 67 |
| *From proceeds of Cosmos bonds of July 31, 1893,* | | 1,200 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources,* | | 121 53 |
| | | $22,426 26 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses:* | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $7,152 09 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 575 00 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 50 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, and safe deposit box, | 572 45 | |
| Fuel, | 343 09 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 251 73 | |
| | | $9,444 36 |
| *Extraordinary expenses:* | | |
| Alterations, additions, etc., to building, | $5,039 25 | |
| Furniture, carpets, bedding, linen, etc., | 1,744 53 | |
| Electric wiring, lamps, fans, gas fixtures, etc., | 769 12 | |
| Papering, painting, etc., | 509 65 | |
| Kitchen utensils, tableware, etc., | 152 06 | |
| Architects' fee, | 350 00 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 1,187 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 972 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 625 00 | |
| | | 11,349 61 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 10 40 |
| Balance December 31, 1894, | | 1,621 89 |
| | | $22,426 26 |

Cosmos bonds of 1893 to the amount of $1,200 having been paid for by subscribers during the year, and no redemption of the bonds of 1886 having been made, the bonded debt of the Club stood as follows at the end of the year 1894: Bonded debt of June 1, 1886, $18,000; bonded debt of January 31, 1891, $20,000; bonded debt of July 31, 1893, $15,000; total, $53,000.

The House Committee expended $4,916.70 in purchases of stock for the restaurant during the year, and turned in $1,209 75 as profits on the sales of the year. It expended $1,972.22 in the grill, and reported a net profit therein of $129.89.



JAMES RUSH MARSHALL.

President January 14, 1895, to January 13, 1896.

## 1895.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 14, 1895, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....J. Rush Marshall
*Vice-President,* .....Swan M. Burnett
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* ..... William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....Henry Gannett, Charles D. Walcott, Bernard R. Green.

*Committee on Admissions.*—J. H. Bryan, O. H. Tittmann, Richard Rathbun, Rogers Birnie, R. H. Thayer, J. C. Hornblower, Everett Hayden, H. Randall Webb, F. V. Coville, R. U. Goode, J. Howard Gore, and F. H. Bigelow.

Flagstaff.

The following resolution of the Board of Management relating to a flagstaff on the Club house was reported to the Club on January 14, 1895:

*Resolved,* That it is the sense of this Board that it is not desirable to erect a flagstaff on, or display a flag from, the Club house.

Irregularities in restaurant.

On February 26, 1895, upon a report from the House Committee in answer to a query of the Board as to alleged purchases in the restaurant by certain members of liquors and cigars at less than regular rates, the following order was made by the Board:

The Board having considered the report of the House Committee in regard to the furnishing of liquors and cigars to certain persons at cost price while a small advance is charged to all members, the Board orders as follows:

*Ordered,* That the House Committee prevent the furnishing of liquors or cigars to any person at a less price than that generally charged to members; but this order is not to be construed to change the method of charging employes for shortages.

On March 11, 1895, the Club adopted the following resolution:

Reduction of debt of Club.

*Resolved,* That it is the sense of the Club that the time has come to arrange for the extinguishment of the debt of the Club, and that the Board of Management is requested to report to the Club, at the next monthly meeting, a plan for the gradual annual retirement and cancelation of the outstanding bonds.

The Board reported at the meeting of April 8, 1895, that, in its opinion, it was possible to set aside each year $1,000 for the redemption and cancelation of bonds and declared such to be its policy, but stated that further contemplated improvements would not permit the retirement of any bonds during the current year. The Club thereupon adopted the following resolution:

Retirement of $1,000 annually.

*Resolved,* That the plan proposed by the Board of Management to retire annually and cancel $1,000 worth of bonds, go into effect not later than the year commencing January 1, 1896.

Substituted trustees, 1891 and 1893.

On June 5, 1895, W. Hallett Phillips, the surviving trustee under the deed of the Cosmos Club of January 31, 1891, deeded the property of the Club under that trust deed to the National Safe Deposit, Savings and Trust Company, as substituted trustee. Deed recorded in liber No. 2033, folio 167 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia. On the same day, also, Charles J. Bell and Joseph K. McCammon, the trustees under the deed of July 31, 1893, deeded the Club property to the American Security and Trust Company as substituted trustee. Deed recorded in liber No. 2033, folio 163 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia.

Membership. On December 31, 1895, there were 283 resident and 89 non-resident members.

Financial statement. The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1895 made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1895, TO DECEMBER 31, 1895.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1895, | | $1,621 89 |
| *From members:* | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,300 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 9,537 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,328 75 | |
| Dues of associates, | 150 00 | |
| | | 13,316 25 |
| *From House Committee:* | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,105 83 |
| *From rents:* | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,405 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 246 00 | |
| | | 1,651 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources,* | | 7 85 |
| | | $17,702 82 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses:* | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $7,547 78 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 620 00 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 31 60 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 1,388 99 | |
| Fuel, | 540 85 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 242 44 | |
| Repairs of building, | 98 84 | |
| Plumbing and repairs of same, | 126 37 | |
| Repairs of furniture, | 136 00 | |
| Repairs of billiard tables, | 272 85 | |
| Storing and laying of carpets, repairs of same, matting, etc., | 55 28 | |
| | | $11,561 00 |
| *Extraordinary expenses:* | | |
| Hot-water heating apparatus, | $1,843 43 | |
| Furniture, bedding, linen, etc., | 457 08 | |
| Decorating H Street vestibule, | 102 70 | |
| Contribution for buying "The Princess," | 100 00 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 692 50 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 912 50 | |
| On coupons of Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 730 00 | |
| | | 4,838 21 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 29 43 |
| Balance December 31, 1895, | | 1,274 18 |
| | | $17,702 82 |

As no bonds were retired this year, the bonded debt remained unchanged at the end of the year, namely: $53,000.

The House Committee expended $3,557.78 in purchases of stock for the restaurant during the year, and turned in $1,105.83 as profits on sales of the year. It expended $2,294.61 in the grill and reported a net profit therein of $340.05.

SWAN MOSES BURNETT.
President January 13, 1896, to January 11, 1897.

## 1896.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 13, 1896, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Swan M. Burnett
*Vice-President,* .....Henry Gannett
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....Bernard R. Green, Charles D. Walcott, John R. Procter.

*Committee on Admissions.*—F. H. Bigelow, R. U. Goode, J. H. Gore, John Van Rensselaer, Cyrus Adler, and E. D. Preston.

Membership.

On December 31, 1896, the membership had increased to 300 resident and 98 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1896 made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1896, TO DECEMBER 31, 1896.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1896, | | $1,274 18 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,050 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 9,893 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,427 50 | |
| Dues of associates, | 192 50 | |
| | | 13,563 50 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,148 90 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,480 50 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 204 00 | |
| | | 1,684 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 3 50 |
| | | $17,674 58 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $7,461 85 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 675 00 | |
| Appropriated for Art Committee, | 40 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 1,286 94 | |
| Fuel, | 295 95 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 278 30 | |
| Repairs of building, sewers, etc., | 225 74 | |
| Repairs of furniture, | 33 25 | |
| Gas burners, electric fans, etc., | 78 71 | |
| Servants' livery, | 120 00 | |
| | | $10,995 74 |
| *Etraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Laying new floors and incidentals, | $433 79 | |
| Persian rug, | 140 00 | |
| Buying painting "Gloucester Moors," | 200 00 | |
| Legal and clerical services, | 41 25 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 1,027 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 1,112 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 750 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 1,200 00 | |
| | | 4,905 04 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 82 22 |
| Balance December 31, 1896, | | 1,691 58 |
| | | $17,674 58 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the extent of $1,200 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the debt stood at the end of the year as follows: Debt of June 1, 1886, $16,800; of January 31, 1891, $20,000; of July 31, 1893, $15,000, total, $51,800.

The House Committee expended $3,784.38 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1896, and turned in $1,148.90 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $2,827.37 in supplies for the grill and reported a net profit of $368.93 therein.

HENRY GANNETT.

**President** January 11, 1897, to January 10, 1898.

## 1897.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 11, 1897, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Henry Gannett
*Vice-President,* .....Charles D. Walcott
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....Bernard R. Green, John R. Procter, Rufus H. Thayer.

*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—J. C. Hornblower, F. V. Coville, Everett Hayden, and H. Randall Webb.

Limit of Membership.

By an amendment of section 2, Art. VI. of the by-laws, adopted by the Club on November 8, 1897, the limitation of the number of resident members to 300 was repealed, and the number of resident members that could be elected at any meeting was fixed at 5.

Membership.

On December 31, 1897, the membership consisted of 301 resident, and 108 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for the year 1897 made the following showing:

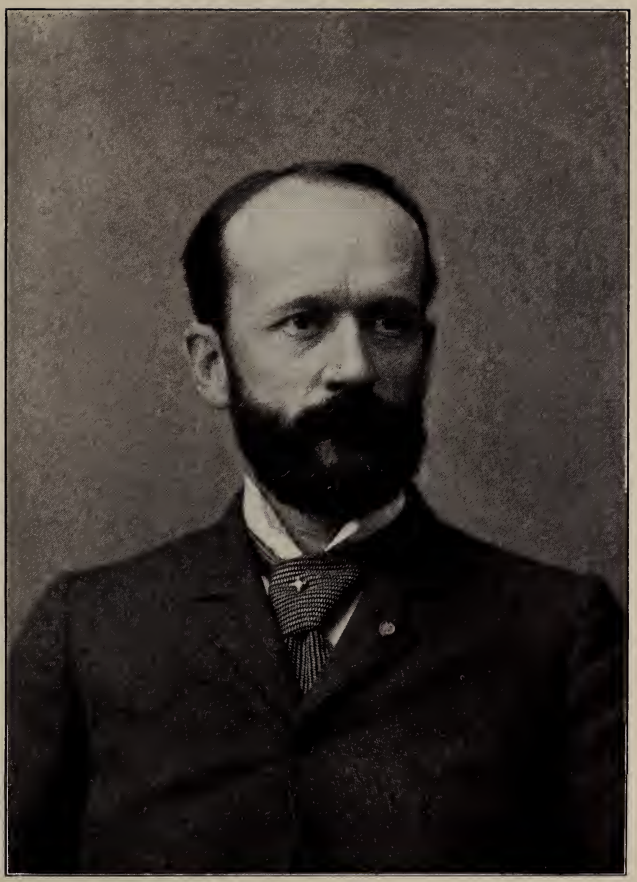
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1897, TO DECEMBER 31, 1897.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1897, | | $1,691 58 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,400 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 10,277 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,445 00 | |
| Dues of associates, | 100 00 | |
| | | 13,222 50 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,133 09 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,466 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 264 00 | |
| | | 1,730 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 6 80 |
| | | $17,783 97 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $7,622 82 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 675 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 1,064 20 | |
| Insurance, | 340 00 | |
| Fuel, | 390 15 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 273 61 | |
| Repair of building, concreting cellar, etc., | 379 05 | |
| Furniture and repairs of same, | 222 71 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting, | 120 60 | |
| | | 11,588 14 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Oriental rugs, carpets, and storage, | $1,219 09 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 842 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 950 00 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 777 50 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 1,800 00 | |
| | | 5,589 09 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 33 41 |
| Balance December 31, 1897, | | 573 33 |
| | | $17,783 97 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the extent of $1,800 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Debt of June 1, 1886, $15,000; of January 31, 1891, $20,000; of July 31, 1893, $15,000; total, $50,000.

The House Committee expended $3,860.28 in purchase of stock for the restaurant in 1897, and turned in $1,133.09 as profits on sales of the year. It expended $2,802.72 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit of $313.80 therein.



CHARLES DOOLITTLE WALCOTT.
President January 10, 1898, to January 9, 1899.

## 1898.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 10, 1898, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Charles D. Walcott
*Vice-President,* .....Bernard R. Green
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....John R. Procter, Rufus H. Thayer, George M. Sternberg.
*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—Rogers Birnie, Cyrus Adler, Richard Rathbun, and O. H. Tittmann.

Flag.

At the meeting of the Club on May 9, 1898, it was—

*Voted,* That the United States flag be displayed on the Club house on appropriate occasions.

Gift of furniture by joint commission.

On May 9, 1898, a letter was received by the Board of Management from the Joint Commission of the Scientific Societies meeting in the Club house, stating that the Commission had voted to present the Cosmos Club, without stipulation, all the furniture purchased at various times by the Commission then in use in the assembly hall and Committee room of the Club.

21st Anniversary.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. G. K. Gilbert at the Club meeting of December 12, 1898, and referred to the Board of Management for report.

*Resolved,* That the Club hold a special meeting to commemorate its twenty-first anniversary, the Board of Management being charged with the selection of the date and with all arrangements.

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be instructed to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a historical volume in connection with the commemorative meeting, and report to the Club at a future meeting.

Membership.

On December 31, 1898, the number of resident members was 315 and of non-resident members 116.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1898 made the following showing:

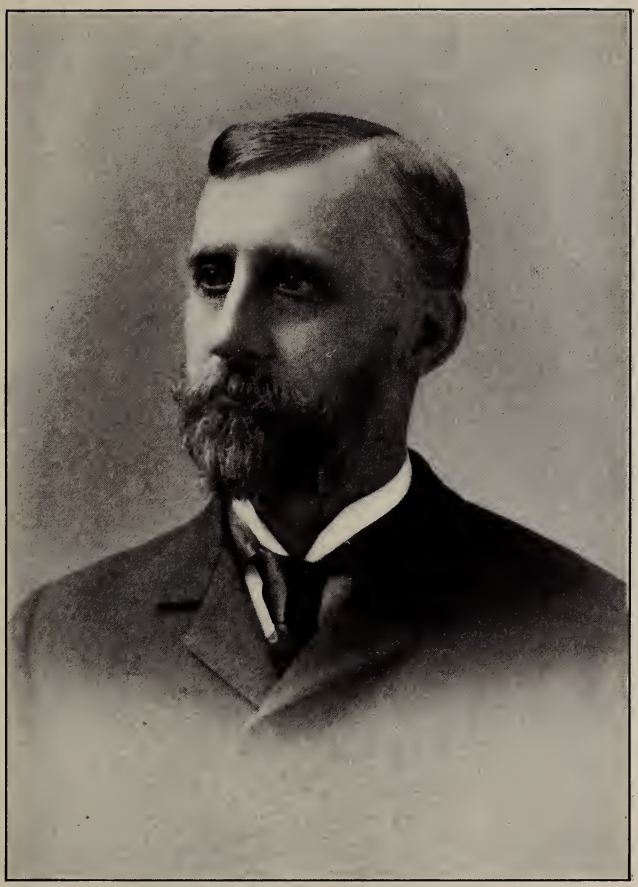
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1898, TO DECEMBER 31, 1898.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1898, | | $573 33 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,900 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 10,564 75 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | $1,788 75 | |
| Dues of associates, | 112 50 | |
| | | 14,366 00 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,009 69 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,192 50 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 198 00 | |
| | | 1,390 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 125 00 |
| | | $17,464 52 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $7,599 00 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee, | 650 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 807 25 | |
| Insurance, | 60 00 | |
| Fuel, | 306 50 | |
| Printing, stationery, postage, etc., | 296 42 | |
| Plumbing and gas fitting, | 194 95 | |
| Repair of furniture, | 205 00 | |
| Servants' livery, | 137 78 | |
| Cleaning and storing rugs and carpets, | 60 00 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting, | 99 24 | |
| | | $10,916 14 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Chamber furniture and furnishings, | $273 40 | |
| Rattan furniture, | 124 50 | |
| Bicycle rack on street, | 60 00 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds | 600 00 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 1,020 00 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 722 50 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 500 00 | |
| | | 3,300 40 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 36 34 |
| Balance December 31, 1898, | | 3,211 64 |
| | | $17,464 52 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the extent of $500 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Debt of June 1, 1886, $14,500; of January 31, 1891, $20,000; of July 31, 1893, $15,000; total, $49,500.

The House Committee expended $3,505.74 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1898, and turned in $1,009.69 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $2,596.40 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit of $172.24 therein.



BERNARD RICHARDSON GREEN.
President January 9, 1899, to January 8, 1900.

## 1899.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 9, 1899, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Bernard R. Green
*Vice President,* .....John R. Procter
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,*.....Rufus H. Thayer, George M. Sternberg, J. C. Hornblower.

*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—For one year to fill vacancies: Thomas Nelson Page and J. D. Patten. For three years, F. H. Bigelow, R. U. Goode, J. H. Gore, and J. Van Rensselaer.

25th Anniversary celebration.

The Board of Management reported as follows on March 13, 1899, on the resolution referred to it by the Club on December 12, 1898:

The Board of Management having carefully considered the resolutions offered by Mr. Gilbert at the meeting of December 12, relative to holding a celebration of the Club's twenty-first anniversary, and to printing a memorial* volume, recommends that the proposed celebration be postponed until the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Club, and that the Club authorize the appointment of a Committee of three to collect data appropriate to a memorial* volume to be published at that time.

Appointment of committee on historical volume.

These recommendations were adopted by the Club, and the President was authorized to appoint the Committee of three. The Committee was appointed November 13, 1899, and consisted of G. K. Gilbert, Robert Fletcher and William A. DeCaindry.

Membership.

On December 31, 1899, the membership consisted of 331 resident and 118 non-resident members.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1899 made the following showing:

*By vote of the Club on June 8, 1903, the word "memorial" in this report was changed to read "historical."

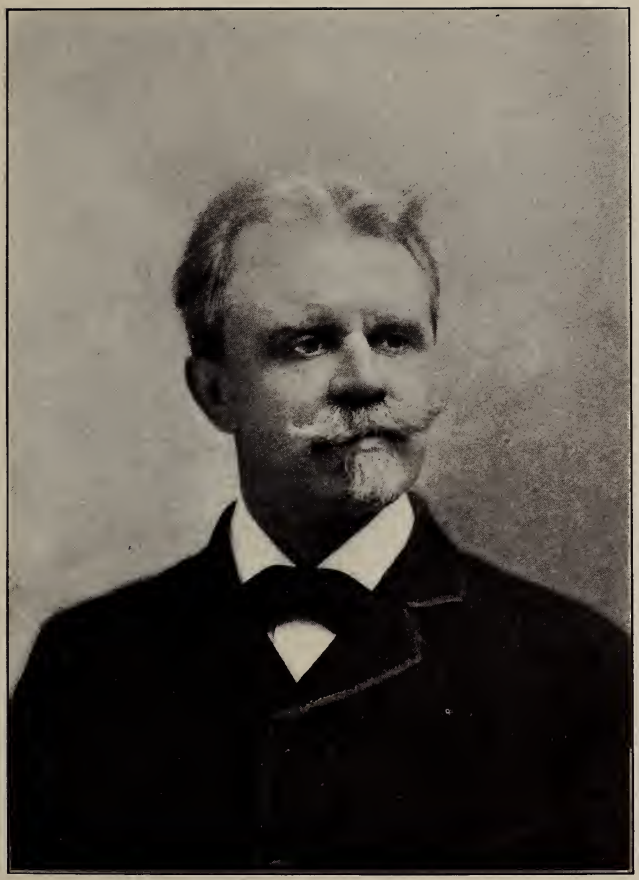
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1899, TO DECEMBER 31, 1899.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1899, | | $3,211 64 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,850 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 11,235 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,635 00 | |
| Dues of associates, | 52 50 | |
| | | 14,773 00 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 993 27 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,308 50 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 226 50 | |
| | | 1,535 00 |
| | | $20,512 91 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, .. | $8,410 00 | |
| Appropriated for Library, | 650 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 1,052 00 | |
| Fuel, | 337 00 | |
| Printing, stationery, etc., | 199 00 | |
| Servants' livery, | 72 00 | |
| Repairs to building, | 62 50 | |
| Plumbing and gas fitting, | 113 13 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting, | 108 92 | |
| | | $11,004 55 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Electric light installation; carpentering and painting exterior, and replastering and papering, | $4,130 47 | |
| Oriental rugs for lodging rooms, .. | 452 70 | |
| Chamber furniture and furnishings,.. | 280 59 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, .. | 545 00 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, .. | 837 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, .. | 665 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 1,000 00 | |
| | | 7,911 26 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 141 53 |
| Balance December 31, 1899, | | 1,455 57 |
| | | $20,512 91 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the extent of $1,000 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Debt of June 1, 1886, $13,500; of January 31, 1891, $20,000; of July 31, 1893, $15,000; total, $48,500.

The House Committee expended $3,412.02 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1889, and turned in $993.27 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $2,282.75 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit of $366.49 therein.



JOHN ROBERT PROCTER.

President January 8, 1900, to January 14, 1901.

1900.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 8, 1900, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....John R. Procter
*Vice President,* .....Rufus H. Thayer
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....George M. Sternberg, J. C. Hornblower, H. S. Pritchett.

*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—For one year, E. I. Renick; for three years, John D. Patten, F. V. Coville, W. de C. Ravenel, and H. Randall Webb.

Increase of annual dues defeated.

An amendment to the by-laws proposing the fixing of the annual dues for resident members at $40 instead of $35 was defeated at the Club meeting of November 12, 1900.

Membership.

On December 31, 1900, the number of resident members had increased to 349, and of non-resident members to 124.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1900 made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1900, TO DECEMBER 31, 1900.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1900, | | $1,455 57 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,150 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 11,625 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,800 00 | |
| Dues of associates, | 95 00 | |
| | | 15,670 00 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 923 24 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,611 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 315 00 | |
| | | 1,926 00 |
| | | $19,974 81 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $8,163 32 | |
| Appropriated for Library, | 650 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper 1899 and 1900, | 1,000 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 808 32 | |
| Fuel, | 406 85 | |
| Printing, stationery, etc., | 277 75 | |
| Servants' livery, | 109 98 | |
| Repairs, | 139 49 | |
| Electric fans, $70.50; carpeting, $175.09, | 245 59 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting and smoker, | 230 99 | |
| | | $12,032 29 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Alterations of grill room and kitchen, | $1,382 01 | |
| Furniture, | 748 23 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 800 00 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 1,042 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 865 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 1,500 00 | |
| Bad bills of guests introduced in grill, | 61 80 | |
| | | 6,399 54 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 33 98 |
| Balance December 31, 1900, | | 1,509 00 |
| | | $19,974 81 |

Cosmos bonds of 1886 to the extent of $1,500 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Debt of June 1, 1886, $12,000; of January 31, 1891, $20,000; of July 31, 1893, $15,000; total $47,000.

The House Committee expended $3,572.17 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1900, and turned in $923.74 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $2.620.02 in supplies for the grill and reported a net profit of $473.89 therein.

RUFUS HILDRETH THAYER.
President January 14, 1901, to January 13, 1902.

1901.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 14, 1901, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....Rufus H. Thayer
*Vice President,* .....George M. Sternberg
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* J. C. Hornblower O. H. Tittmann, Richard Rathbun.
*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—Cyrus Adler, Charles Moore, W. H. Ashmead and J. F. Hayford.

Retirement of $1,000 of the debt annually.

By vote of the Club at the meeting of February 11, 1901, the Club decided that it was inadvisable to depart from the policy of retiring a portion of the Club debt each year, and it adopted the following resolution:

Refunding outstanding debt in bonds of lower interest.

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management be requested to take into consideration and report to the Club at its next monthly meeting the feasibility of redeeming the bonds of the Club, as the period of optional redemption of each series is reached, and the issue in place thereof of new bonds at a lower rate of interest.

The treasurer issued the following circular on March 12, 1901:

COSMOS CLUB, *March 12, 1901.*

*To the Members of the Cosmos Club:*

The Club issued bonds in 1886 to the amount of $20,000, running 20 years, bearing 5 per cent. interest, and redeemable at the option of the Club after 5 years from the date of issue.

It issued in 1891 bonds to the amount of $20,000, running 30 years, bearing 5 per cent. interest, and redeemable at the option of the Club after 10 years.

The period of redemption at the option of the Club in the case of tho 1886 issue was reached in 1896, and $9,000 of that issue have been redeemed. The remaining $11,000 of that issue, and

the $20,000 of the issue of 1891, are now subject to be called in and redeemed at the pleasure of the Club.

At the meeting of the Club on February 11, 1901, the Board of Management was directed to ascertain and report upon the feasibility, in the present condition of the money market, of calling in these bonds bearing 5 per cent. interest and issuing others at a lower rate of interest in their stead.

It is much to be desired that the bonded debt of the Club shall be owned and held by members of the Club.

For the information of the Board, therefore, I have the honor to inquire:

If new 5-20 bonds to the amount of $31,000 (to be used in effecting the retirement and cancelation of the above mentioned $31,000 of 5 per cent. bonds) should be issued by the Club, bearing 4 per cent. interest, for what amount of the new 4 per cent. bonds would you be willing to subscribe?

Your early answer on attached blank form will greatly oblige,

Your obedient servant,

WM. A. DECAINDRY,
*Treasurer Cosmos Club.*

The Treasurer received subscriptions amounting to $66,000 under the above call for subscribers for $31,000. On April 8, 1901, he reported to the Club, on behalf of the Board of Management, the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Bond issue of 1901 authorized.

*Resolved,* That the President and Secretary of the Cosmos Club be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sign and seal on behalf of the Club, in such form and in such denominations as may be approved by the Board of Management, bonds, not exceeding in total amount the sum of forty-six thousand dollars, ($46,000) to be dated April 8, 1901, and made payable on the 8th day of April, 1921, or at any time after (5) five years from date and before maturity at the option of the Club, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and to execute and deliver a mortgage or deed of trust, (subject, however, to the deeds of trust of June 1, 1886, for $20,000, of January 31, 1891, for $20,000, and of July

31, 1893, for $15,000, recorded respectively in liber No. 1180, folio 492, liber No. 1547, folio 414, and liber No. 1830, folio 335, of the land records of the District of Columbia) upon the lands and tenements of the Club in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221) situated at the southeast corner of H street and Madison Place (or 15½ street), to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest of said bonds. Of the $46,000 bonds so executed, $31,000 shall be used at once in redemption of all outstanding 5 per cent. Cosmos Club bonds issued under the deeds of trust of June 1, 1886, and January 31, 1891; and the remaining $15,000 shall be retained until the option of redemption of the Cosmos Club bonds issued under the deed of trust of July 31, 1893, has accrued, when they may be used in redemption of those bonds at the convenience of the Club.

*Resolved,* That from the proceeds of the new 4 per cent. Cosmos Club bonds the Treasurer of the Club be and he is hereby instructed to redeem all the outstanding 5 per cent. Cosmos Club bonds that were issued under the deeds of trust of June 1, 1886, and January 31, 1891, allowing interest on the same until April 30, 1901, and no longer; and he is hereby further instructed to reserve $4,000 of the new 4 per cent. bonds and use them as collateral security to four promissory notes for $1,000 each to be made by the President and Secretary in the name of the Club, running one, two, three and four years respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, and at the maturity of each of said notes to pay off the same and cancel the bond which accompanied it as collateral security, thus continuing the reduction of the Club debt at the rate of $1,000 per year during the first four years of the life of the said 4 per cent. bonds; and he is further instructed to make an equitable distribution of $27,000 of the remainder of said 4 per cent. bonds among those who have subscribed for them in answer to his circular letter of March 12, 1901.

*Resolved,* That the President of the Club be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to take all necessary legal steps in the name of the Club for securing the release of the deeds of trust given to secure payment of the Cosmos Club bonds of June 1, 1886, January 31, 1891, and July 31, 1893, after the said bonds have been paid off and canceled.

It was not necessary to execute promissory notes in the manner and for the purpose indicated in the second resolution above, as Mr. Charles J. Bell, one of the subscribers, agreed to surrender a $1,000 bond from those subscribed for by him, each year for four years, for redemption and cancellation, after which time the regular drawings of bonds for retirement would begin.

The bonds issued April 8, 1901, in pursuance of the above authority were modeled after the forms adopted for the three previous issues of June 1, 1886, January 31, 1891, and July 31, 1893, the American Security and Trust Company being named as trustee, to whom the property was deeded on April 8, 1901. The deed is recorded in liber No. 2525, folio 485 *et seq.*, one of the land records of the District of Columbia. The entire amount of $31,000 was subscribed for by the members of the Club, and was paid in and the new 4 per cent. bonds delivered to subscribers by May 28, 1901.

Membership. On December 31, 1901, the number of resident members was 359, and of non-resident members 131.

Financial statement. The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1901 made the following showing:

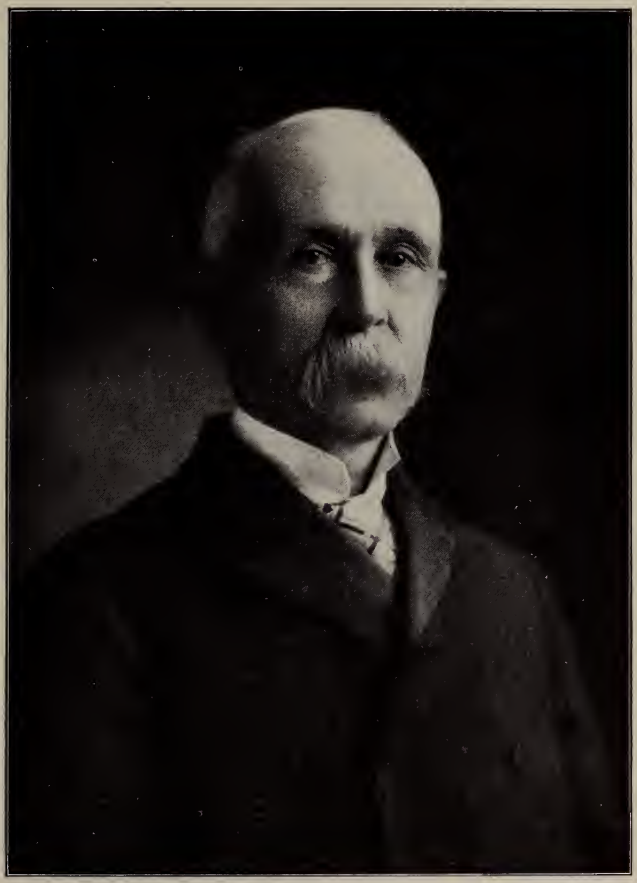
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1901, TO DECEMBER 31, 1901.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1901, | | $1,509 00 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $1,950 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 12,574 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 1,746 75 | |
| Dues of associates, | 217 50 | |
| | | 16,488 75 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | $946 27 | |
| Profits of grill turned in, | 500 00 | |
| | | 1,446 27 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,839 00 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 231 00 | |
| | | 2,070 00 |
| From cash proceeds of Cosmos bonds of April 8, 1901, | $24,700 00 | |
| Face value of Cosmos 1886 bonds received in exchange for bonds of 1901, | 2,400 | |
| Face value of Cosmos 1891 bonds received in exchange for bonds of 1901, | 3,900 00 | |
| | | 31,000 00 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 4 56 |
| | | $52,518 58 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, | $8,187 00 | |
| Appropriated for Library, | 700 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, license, telephone, | 2,012 42 | |
| Fuel, $390.50; printing, stationery, $370.08, | 760 58 | |
| Servants' livery, $256.62; expenses of annual meeting and smoker, $189.95, | 446 57 | |
| | | $12,606 57 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Tiling in basement and painting, | $280 00 | |
| Furniture, $510.77; oriental rug and matting, $56.00, | 566 77 | |
| Exchange old billiard tables for new, | 1,050 00 | |
| Oil and water color paintings, | 185 00 | |
| Executing and recording deed of trust, | 27 50 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 453 08 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 895 41 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, | 710 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of Cosmos 1886 bonds, | 9,600 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of Cosmos 1891 bonds, | 16,100 00 | |
| Face value of Cosmos 1901 bonds issued in exchange for 1886 bonds, | 2,400 00 | |
| Face value of Cosmos 1901 bonds issued in exchange for 1891 bonds, | 3,900 00 | |
| | | 36,167 76 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 56 95 |
| Balance December 31, 1901, | | 3,687 30 |
| | | $52,518 58 |

The entire outstanding bonded debts of June 1, 1886, and January 31, 1891, amounting to $32,000 having been redeemed this year, and $31,000 of the bonds of April 8, 1901, at 4 per cent. having been issued in the place thereof, the Club debt stood at the end of the year: Bonded debt of July 31, 1893, $15,000; of April 8, 1901, $31,000; total, $46,000.

The House Committee expended $4,324.01 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1901, and turned in to the Treasurer, $946.27 as profits on the sales during the year. It expended $3,998.07 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit of $616.87, of which $500 were turned in to the Treasurer.



GEORGE MILLER STERNBERG.
President January 13, 1902, to January 12, 1903.

1902.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 13, 1902, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....George M. Sternberg
*Vice President,* .....J. C. Hornblower
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,* ....O. H. Tittmann, Richard Rathbun, James G. Hill.

*Members of the Committee on Admissions.*—F. H. Bigelow, R. U. Goode, J. H. Gore, and John Van Rensselaer.

Release of deeds of the Club.

Upon evidence produced by the Treasurer to the National Safe Deposit, Savings and Trust Company of the payment of all the bonds issued under the deed of trust to W. Hallett Phillips and H. C. Swain, dated January 31, 1891, that Company on July 21, 1902, executed a deed of release and reconveyance to the Cosmos Club of all property covered by said deed and by the deed to that company by W. Hallett Phillips dated June 5, 1895. The deed of the Company is recorded in liber No. 2651, folio 489 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia.

Decree in equity appointing a trustee to release.

On July 24, 1902, a bill in equity (No. 23,433) was filed in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, for the appointment by the Court of a trustee to release the deed of trust of June 1, 1886, (in favor of J. C. Welling and J. H. Kidder, trustees,) and that of January 31, 1891, (in favor of W. Hallett Phillips and H. C. Swain, trustees) the entire indebtedness of the Cosmos Club under these two deeds having been paid off, and all four of the trustees being dead. On February 14, 1903, the court

made a decree appointing Charles L. Frailey, trustee, to execute a release of both of the above deeds.

Membership.

On December 31, 1902, the number of resident members was 385, and of non-resident members 143.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1902 made the following showing:

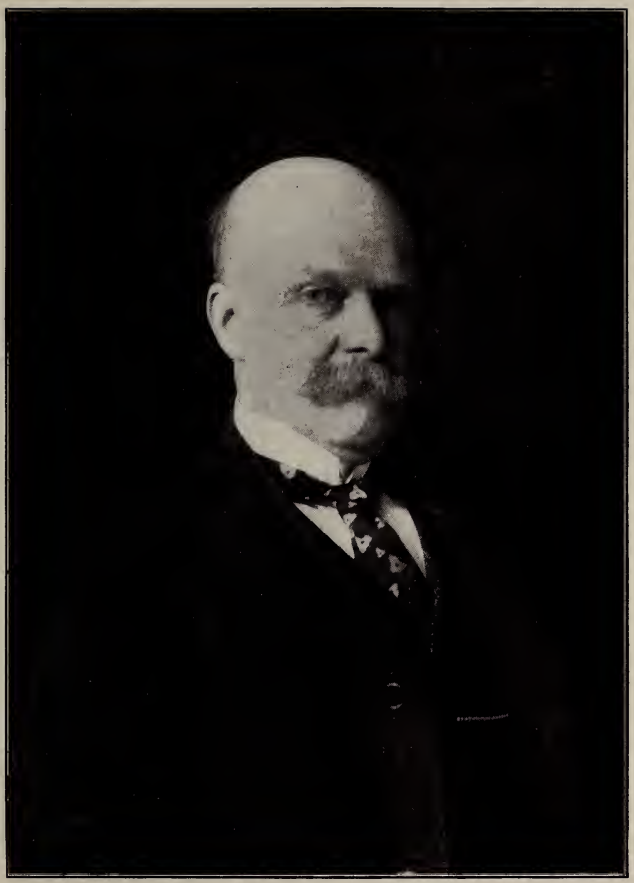
## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1902, TO DECEMBER 31, 1902.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1902, | | $3,687 30 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,700 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 12,740 00 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 2,058 75 | |
| Dues of associates, | 172 50 | |
| | | 17,671 25 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,287 65 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | $1,857 50 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 195 00 | |
| | | 2,052 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*, | | 96 71 |
| | | $24,795 41 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary expenses*: | | |
| Appropriated for House Committee, .. | $8,551 33 | |
| Appropriated for Library Committee,.. | 1,000 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 971 31 | |
| Fuel, | 428 80 | |
| Fire insurance, 5 years, | 375 00 | |
| Printing, stationery, etc., | 211 00 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting, | 138 27 | |
| Servants' livery, | 70 00 | |
| | | $12,245 71 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Picture frames and etchings, | $284 35 | |
| Oriental rugs, | 505 00 | |
| Elk head, mounted, | 150 00 | |
| Reception to Lord Kelvin, | 171 29 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1891 bonds, .. | 7 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, .. | 767 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1901 bonds, .. | 1,738 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of bonds, | 1,000 00 | |
| | | 4,623 64 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 70 55 |
| Balance December 31, 1902, | | 7,855, 51 |
| | | $24,795 41 |

Cosmos bonds of 1901 to the extent of $1,000 having been redeemed and canceled during the year, the bonded debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Debt of July 31, 1893, $15,000; debt of April 8, 1901, $30,000; total, $45,000.

The House Committee expended $5,035.86 in purchases of stock for the restaurant in 1902, and turned in $1,287.65 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $4,689.30 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit of $738.34 therein.



JOSEPH COERTEN HORNBLOWER.
President January 12, 1903, to January 11, 1904.

1903.

Annual election.

The annual election of officers and of the members of the Committee on Admissions on January 12, 1903, resulted as follows:

*President,* .....J. C. Hornblower
*Vice President,* .....O. H. Tittmann
*Secretary,* .....L. O. Howard
*Treasurer,* .....William A. DeCaindry
*Managers,*....Richard Rathbun, James G. Hill, Walter Wyman.

*Members of Committee on Admissions.*—For two years, Bernard R. Green; for three years, J. D. Patten, W. de C. Ravenel, F. V. Coville, and A. S. Worthington.

Release of deeds of the Club.

On April 9, 1903, Charles L. Frailey, the trustee appointed by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to execute a release of the deeds of trust dated June 1, 1886, and January 31, 1891, in place of James C. Welling, Jerome H. Kidder, W. Hallett Phillips, and Henry C. Swain, deceased trustees under those deeds, duly executed a deed of release, and the same is recorded in liber No. 2723, folio 58 *et seq.*, one of the land records of the District of Columbia.

Purchase of No. 25 Madison Place.

In March, 1903, the Board of Management learned that the property on Madison Place, adjoining the Club house and known as No. 25,* was for sale, and it at once entered into negotiations with Westcott & Story, the local agents of the property, for its purchase. The owner of the property, Henry Reed Rathbone, was insane, and the property was in charge of his son, Henry Riggs Rathbone, as committee of his father's estate, under an order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. The residence of the committee was in Chicago, Illinois.

At a special meeting of the Club on April 6, 1903, the result of the Board's negotiations with Westcott & Story

*Shown on the left in the picture on page 96 hereof.

was announced, and the Club thereupon unanimously adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, Westcott & Story, real estate brokers, of Washington, D. C., have offered, in behalf of the owner or owners of lot No. 28, Square No. 221, in Washington, D. C., to sell the said lot, with the improvements thereon, to the Cosmos Club on the following terms, namely:

*First.* The entire purchase price (exclusive of the agents' commission, which is to be assumed and paid by the Cosmos Club,) to be $33,000, subject, as to the interest of any of said owners who may be insane, to the approval of the Court having jurisdiction of the person and estate of said insane owner.

*Second.* One thousand dollars of the purchase price to be paid at once, but to be returned in case of inability of the Committee referred to in the preceding paragraph to secure the Court's approval of the sale, or of inability of the Committee, or of the other owners, after such approval, to convey a good and lawful title in fee simple.

*Third.* The remaining $32,000 to be paid upon the due execution and delivery to the Cosmos Club of a good and lawful deed or deeds in fee simple, executed by all of said owners, including the Committee, after the approval by the Court of the terms of the sale, conveying said property to the Club free of all incumbrances except the lease mentioned in the next paragraph.

*Fourth.* The rents, insurance and taxes to be adjusted to the date of delivery to and acceptance by the Club of a satisfactory deed or deeds of conveyance as herein stipulated for; and any outstanding lease of the property to be then assigned to the Club.

*Fifth.* Examination of title to be at the cost of the Club.

*Sixth.* Westcott & Story's commission for negotiating the sale to be assumed and paid by the Club upon the delivery and acceptance of a satisfactory deed or deeds of the property; but such commission is not to be paid by the Club in case of default on the part of the sellers.

AND WHEREAS, Said terms are satisfactory to the Cosmos Club; therefore—

*Resolved,* That the Cosmos Club accepts the above offer; and the President and Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to sign, on behalf of the Club, such agreement as may be necessary to bind both parties to the sale on the terms above quoted,

and affix the corporate seal of the Club to the same; and the Treasurer, under the direction of the Board of Management, is authorized and directed to make the payments necessary to such purchase, including the agents' commission, from the current revenues and such other funds as the Club shall provide for the purpose.

In order to make the necessary preparations for meeting the expense of the purchase the following resolution was also unanimously adopted:

*Resolved,* That the President be and he is hereby directed to appoint from among the members who have the confidence of the Club and from those who have special skill in financial management, a Finance Committee, consisting of seven members, who shall submit in writing, through him, to the Club at the earliest day practicable, their views and recommendations as to the most feasible and economical method of raising the money to meet the deferred payment on the purchase of the property No. 25 Madison Place, after canvassing the Club by circular for subscriptions for bonds covering the amount. Said Finance Committee shall also submit separately in writing, through him, to the Club a comprehensive plan for re-adjusting the several debts of the Club, and for the establishment and permanent maintenance of a sinking fund for paying off the debts of the Club in a systematic manner.

The President appointed Professor Simon Newcomb, Mr. G. K. Gilbert, Mr. John Joy Edson, Mr. C. J. Bell, Professor J. Howard Gore, Mr. Bernard R. Green and Mr. William A. DeCaindry as the Finance Committee.

On April 17, 1903, the Finance Committee issued the following circular:

*To the Members of the Cosmos Club:*

The Club, at its special meeting of April 6, 1903, directed the appointment of a Finance Committee to report as to the most feasible and economical method of raising the money to meet the deferred payment on the purchase of No. 25 Madison Place.

The undersigned members of the Committee beg to inform you

that they are ready to submit to the Club their report, from which the following extracts are made:

The Committee understands that there is available in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of $9,000 in cash, which can be applied in part payment of the purchase price of the property, No. 25 Madison Place. This would leave the sum of $25,000 still to be raised to meet the full cash payment when the property comes to be duly transferred to the Club. In the opinion of the Committee this latter amount should—following the precedents of the Club in all its past experiences in raising money for Club purposes—be raised by bonds to be taken by the members of the Club.

There are two issues of such bonds outstanding at the present time, viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| Cosmos Club bonds of July 31, 1893, 5%..... | $15,000 |
| Cosmos Club bonds of April 8, 1901, 4%..... | 30,000 |
| Total, ..... | $45,000 |

The option of calling in the $15,000 bonds of 1893 for redemption accrues to the Club on July 31, 1903, and provision has already been made for the calling of them in and the issue in their stead of an equivalent amount of bonds bearing 4% interest only. These last named bonds are of the issue of April 8, 1901, of which $30,000 are already in the hands of the members. The retirement of the 1893 bonds and the issue of an equivalent amount of 1901 bonds in their stead would thus bring the entire debt of the Club under one mortgage or deed of trust, and would bear a uniform rate of interest of 4%.

The addition of the further debt of $25,000 to the present indebtedness of the Club, however, suggests the propriety of consolidating the entire debt into bonds having a long period to run, under a single mortgage or deed of trust, and at a uniform rate of interest upon the entire indebtedness. With the consent of the holders of the bonds of 1901 this consolidation is entirely feasible, and should, in the opinion of the Committee, be done. It would simplify the handling of the Club debt, and would avoid the necessity for the periodical issue of new series of bonds to replace old ones as the latter expire, and would give present bondholders a bond having a long period to run before redemption.

In carrying out a plan of consolidation of this kind, the Committee thinks that provision should at the time be made for rais-

ing the necessary funds for the alteration, repair and furnishing of the new property at No. 25 Madison Place, to be expended whenever in the opinion of the Board of Management (the responsible authority of the Club) it shall be decided to be feasible to enter upon and occupy the property for club purposes. The Committee, from such meager information as it is possessed of in relation to the condition of the property, believes that no greater sum than $15,000 would be required for the complete alteration, repair and furnishing of the building. It therefore recommends that this sum be added to the amount of the new bond issue, thus covering in one transaction the entire indebtedness of the Club.

A summary of the several amounts to be thus consolidated would be as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Amount of Cosmos Club bonds of July 31, 1893, | $15,000 |
| Amount of Cosmos Club bonds of April 8, 1901, | 30,000 |
| Amount necessary to be raised on account of purchase of No. 25 Madison Place,..... | 25,000 |
| Amount necessary to be raised to meet expense of alterations, repairs and furnishings of No. 25 Madison Place,..... | 15,000 |
| Total amount of new bond issue,..... | $85,000 |

In regard to the ability of the Club to meet the increased interest account consequent upon the raising of the Club debt from $45,000 to $85,000, and the increased expense consequent upon the maintenance of No. 25 Madison Place as a part of the Club domicile, the Committee desires to submit the following estimate of the probable annual receipts and expenditures. Under *receipts,* the dues are computed on the basis of the present strength of membership. The average number of new members admitted each year for the past 10 years has been 40; the estimate computes for 30 only. The other items of receipts are founded upon the average receipts under the several headings for some 10 years past. Under *expenditures,* such items as salary of bookkeeper, taxes, water rent, internal revenue license, bar-room license and telephone, are fixed and do not change from year to year; the remainder of the items are mostly founded on the average expenditures for 10 years past.

*Estimate of Annual Receipts and Expenditures.*

THE COSMOS CLUB PROPER.

*Annual Receipts:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 391 resident members, dues at $35.00 each, | | $13,685 00 |
| 152 non-resident members, dues at $15.00 each, | | 2,280 00 |
| Admission fees of 30 new members, at $50.00 each, | | 1,500 00 |
| Dues of 30 new members, first year, say— | | 462 47 |
| Associates, say— | | 100 00 |
| Profits of restaurant, say— | | 1,200 00 |
| Rent of lodging-rooms, say— | | 1,400 00 |
| Rent of assembly hall, | | 225 00 |
| Total, | | $20,852 47 |

*Annual Expenditures:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| House Committee, household expenses, | $10,000 00 | |
| Library Committee, | 700 00 | |
| Art Committee, | 100 00 | |
| Salary of bookkeeper, | 500 00 | |
| Taxes, real and personal, | 605 37 | |
| Water rent, | 35 00 | |
| Internal revenue license, | 25 00 | |
| Bar-room license, | 800 00 | |
| Telephone, | 125 00 | |
| Fuel, | 400 00 | |
| Servants' livery, say— | 200 00 | |
| Repairs, say— | 400 00 | |
| Loss by demissions during year (18 members) | 382 50 | |
| Interest on $85,000 Club debt at 4% | 3,400 00 | |
| | | $17,672 87 |
| Surplus, | | $3,179 60 |

No. 25, Madison Place, occupied by the Club.

*Annual Receipts:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Surplus from Club proper brought down from above, | | $3,179 60 |
| Rent of lodging-rooms, | | 1,500 00 |
| Total, | | $4,679 60 |

*Annual Expenditures:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| House Committee, household expenses, | $1,200 00 | |
| Taxes, real estate, | 330 00 | |
| Water rent, | 30 00 | |
| Fuel, | 200 00 | |
| Electric light, | 900 00 | |
| | | $2,660 00 |
| Available for sinking fund, | | $2,019 60 |

While this estimate does not provide for possible unforeseen expenses connected with the occupancy of No. 25 Madison Place, nor for such possible expenses connected with the Club house proper, it is the opinion of members of the Committee that the estimate is very conservative, and that the probabilities are that some of the items of receipts will turn out to be greater than shown, so that a steady amount of $2,000 will result as a saving each year, which can be devoted to the formation of a sinking fund as contemplated by the resolution of the Club adopted on April 6, 1903.

The Committee has therefore decided to submit the following resolution for the consideration of the Club, and to recommend its adoption:

*Resolved,* That the President and Secretary of the Cosmos Club be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sign and seal on behalf of the Club, in such form and in such denominations as may be approved by the Board of Management, bonds not exceeding in total amount the sum of eighty-five thousand ($85,000) dollars, to be dated the first day of June, 1903, and made payable on the ..... day of .....1943, or at any time after ten years from date and before maturity at the option of the Club, with interest from date and until paid at the rate of four (4) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and to execute and deliver a mortgage or deed of trust [subject however, to the deed of trust for fifteen thousand ($15,000) dollars, dated July 31, 1893, recorded in liber No. 1830, folio 335 *et seq.,* one of the land records of the District of Columbia, and to the deed of trust for forty-six thousand ($46,000) dollars dated April 8, 1901, recorded in liber No. 2525, folio 485 *et seq.,* one of the land records of

the District of Columbia, so far as the lands and tenements mentioned in said deeds are concerned] upon the lands and tenements of the Club in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, known and distinguished as parts of original lots numbered thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) and lot numbered twenty-eight (28) in square numbered two hundred and twenty-one (221) situated at and adjoining the southeast corner of H street and Madison Place, to secure the punctual payment of the principal and interest on said bonds.

Upon the passage of this resolution and the issue of the new 10-40 bonds by the Club, it is the intention to ask the holders of the present 1893 and 1901 bonds (the first being subject to call in 3½ months and the other in 3 years), to exchange their holdings for the new issue of 10-40 bonds. If this request is granted by all the holders the deeds on the present Club house securing those issues can be released and the deed covering the new issue will become a first mortgage or deed of trust upon the Club house and No. 25 Madison Place combined.

It is much to be desired that the ownership of the bonded debt of the Club shall be distributed among the individual members of the Club, and held by them to the exclusion of all other holders.

The Committee would therefore request you to favor them with answers to the interrogatories on the accompanying sheet by April 24, 1903, in order that the result may be communicated to the Club at a meeting immediately thereafter, to enable the Club to take the necessary action for completing the payment on the purchase authorized.

Address all replies to Wm. A. DeCaindry, Treasurer of the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C., in prepaid envelope herewith.

S. Newcomb, *Chairman,*
G. K. Gilbert,
John Joy Edson,
James H. Gore,
Bernard R. Green,
C. J. Bell,
Wm. A. DeCaindry,
*Finance Committee.*

INTERROGATORIES.

What amount of Cosmos Club bonds of the issue of July 31, 1893 do you hold?

What amount of Cosmos Club bonds of the issue of April 8, 1901, do you hold?

Are you willing to exchange your holdings of 1893 bonds, on July 31, 1903, and your 1901 bonds on that date, for the new 10-40 Cosmos Club bonds, bearing interest at 4 per cent., which it is proposed to issue?

What denomination of bonds do you wish in exchange? The new bonds will be in denominations of $100, $500 and $1,000. It is desirable that bonds be taken in the largest denominations if it suits the convenience of the taker to so have them.
What amount of the new issue do you wish in addition to those taken in exchange: State amount and denomination wanted.
If you are not at present a holder of Cosmos Club bonds, for what amount of the new 10-40 Cosmos Club 4 per cent. bonds are you willing to subscribe? The bonds will probably be dated June 1, 1903, and subscriptions should be paid in by May 30, 1903.
In what denominations do you wish them furnished to you as a new subscriber?

The result of the canvass by the Finance Committee was as follows up to July, 1903:

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|---|---|
| Certain of the holders of the $15,000 5 per cent. bonds of 1893 were willing to exchange their holdings for the new 4 per cent. bonds amounting to | $10,200 00 |
| Certain of the holders of the $30,000 4 per cent. bonds of 1901 were willing to exchange their holdings for the new 4 per cent. bonds amounting to | 22,400 00 |
| There were, in addition, new subscribers for the new 4 per cent. bonds to the extent of | 35,800 00 |
| Total, | $68,400 00 |

On May 4, 1903, the Finance Committee submitted to the Club their report at a special meeting called for its consideration. The report is embodied in the above circular of April 17, 1903, and was submitted with the following remarks:

As the resolution of April 6, 1903, directed the Finance Committee to submit their views and recommendations after canvassing the Club by circular inviting subscriptions for bonds, the Committee, on April 17, 1903, addressed a circular to every member of the Club, whether resident or non-resident, setting forth the substance of their intended report to the Club, and inclosing a list of interrogatories designed to bring out the fact whether the holders of the old bond issue of 1893 and of the issue of 1901 would be willing to exchange their holdings on July 31, 1903, for equivalent amounts of a new issue of 10-40 4 per cent. bonds

which it was proposed should be issued by the Club, and also the further fact as to the amount which the old bondholders would subscribe for in addition to their holdings, and the amount which new subscribers would take of the proposed new issue. * * No objections have yet been made to exchanging the old bonds for the new, and it is believed that the entire amount of those bonds will ultimately be offered for exchange; but whether they are so offered or not, the Committee has received *bona fide* offers from other parties to take all the new 10-40 bonds not taken by the members.

The Finance Committee has learned informally from the President of the District Title Insurance Co., which has been employed to examine the title of No. 25 Madison Place, that that title is found by his company to be in fee simple in Henry R. Rathbone, insane; that the property is without any record incumbrance, and that the company will so report in its abstract of title to be furnished.

In conclusion the Finance Committee begs to say that the great majority of the old bondholders having acted so magnanimously, the new subscribers having been so generously responsive, and the expressions of approval of those whose circumstances would not enable them to subscribe having been so encouraging, the Committee feels no hesitancy in recommending to the favorable action of the Club the resolution submitted to the members in circular of April 17, 1903. * *

If this resolution shall be adopted by the Club, it is recommended that the program to be followed in refunding the old bonds be made a matter of Club record. The Finance Committee therefore submits the following resolution for the action of the Club:

*Resolved,* That with the consent of the holders of the bond issues of 1893 and 1901, the Treasurer of the Club is authorized to exchange (with proper interest adjustments) the new bonds of the Club for the old issues of 1893 and 1901, and from the proceeds of sales of the new issue to retire all bonds of the issue of 1893 remaining unpresented for exchange on July 31, 1903, that being the date on which the right of calling in said bonds accrues to the Club. And the President of the Club is authorized and directed to take all necessary measures for securing the release of the deeds of trust covering the bond issues of 1893 and 1901 whenever the entire issue of those respective years shall become refunded or redeemed in pursuance of this resolution.

The Finance Committee also recommends the adoption of the following resolution by the Club, if it shall authorize the issue of the new bonds:

*Resolved,* That in order to secure the bondholders of the new issue of 10-40 Cosmos Club bonds authorized by the Club to be issued by resolution of May —, 1903, the President and Secretary of the Club are hereby authorized and directed to sign and seal on behalf of the Club, and to deliver to the American Security and Trust Co., as trustee for said bondholders, a deed of trust covering the old club house and grounds purchased in 1886 as well as the house and grounds No. 25 Madison Place; and to the end that said deed may be made matter of record in the office of the register of deeds of the District of Columbia, Joseph C. Hornblower, the President of the Club, is hereby appointed attorney in fact of the Cosmos Club and authorized and directed to appear before any officer authorized by law to certify to the acknowledgment of deeds, and in its name to acknowledge the same to be the act and deed of the said Cosmos Club, and to do all and any acts necessary to the proper and effectual conveyance of the said real estate for the purposes set out in this resolution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. NEWCOMB,
*Chairman.*
G. K. GILBERT,
JOHN JOY EDSON,
JAMES H. GORE,
BERNARD R. GREEN,
C. J. BELL,
WM. A. DECAINDRY,
*Finance Committee.*

At that meeting it was not known at what time the committee of the insane owner would be able to obtain the judicial authority necessary to enable him to convey the property, and it was therefore thought desirable to leave the date of issue of the new bonds to be fixed by the Board of Management when the date of conveying had been determined. Accordingly the first resolution reported by the Finance Committee (see page 271 hereof) was amended by inserting the words "and of such date" after the word "denominations," in the third line, and by striking out the words "to be dated the first day of June, 1903," in the fifth and sixth lines. As so amended, the resolution was unanimously adopted, as were also the other two resolutions submitted by the committee (see pages 274 and 275 hereof).

**Sinking Fund established.**

The Finance Committee also submitted at this meeting the following report, and the resolution contained therein was unanimously adopted:

The Finance Committee appointed under the resolution of April 6, 1903, recommends the establishment and maintenance of a sinking fund for the persistent and systematic redemption of the bonded debt of the Club. It therefore recommends the adoption of the following resoluton by the Club:

*Resolved,* That the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) be set aside annually from the revenues of the Club for the purchase and cancelation of the bonds of the Club, or, if none are offered for sale, for investment as a sinking fund to be applied to the redemption of the Club debt as soon as the right to redeem accrues to the Club.

Lease of No. 25 Madison Place.

The last meeting of the Club in 1903 preceding the usual summer recess took place on June 8. No proceedings by the committee having in view the consummation of the sale of No. 25 Madison Place had been instituted in the Supreme Court of the State of New York by that date. It was therefore deemed expedient at that meeting to confer on the Board of Management full power to act on behalf of the Club during the recess in obtaining control over the property, by lease or otherwise, with a view to its ultimate ownership, in case of the inability of the committee to secure judicial authority for the sale. The Club therefore passed the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the Board of Management of the Club be and it is hereby authorized, if necessary, to make any arrangement, by lease or otherwise, with the committee of the owner of No. 25 Madison Place and other persons interested therein, as may in its judgment, with the advice of counsel, be necessary to secure to the Club the ultimate ownership of that property.

Legal Proceedings, No. 25 Madison Place.

On July 28, 1903, proceedings were begun by the committee in the Supreme Court at Albany, which resulted in the granting of an order on that day authorizing him to begin such proceedings in the

Supreme Court of the District of Columbia as would enable him to effect a sale and conveyance.

On October 1, 1903, he filed his petition in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia (Equity No. 24,216,) praying that an ancillary commission or decree, or ancillary letters of trusteeship, be issued to him. This was granted on October 7, 1903, and on the same day he filed his bill (Equity No. 24,222,) praying for a decree authorizing and confirming the sale at the price of $33,000 which had been offered by the Club.

This was the stage of the proceedings at the date of the 25th anniversary meeting of the Club on November 16, 1903.

On December 31, 1903, the number of resident members was 408, and of non-resident members, 159.

Membership.

Financial statement.

The annual statement of the Treasurer for 1903 made the following showing:

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1903, TO DECEMBER 31, 1903.

| Receipts. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1903, | | $7,855 51 |
| *From members*: | | |
| Entrance fees, | $2,750 00 | |
| Dues of residents, | 13,665 50 | |
| Dues of non-residents, | 2,245 00 | |
| Dues of associates, | 132 50 | |
| | | 18,793 00 |
| *From House Committee*: | | |
| Profits of restaurant, | | 1,631 33 |
| *From rents*: | | |
| Rent of lodging rooms, | 1,228 50 | |
| Rent of assembly hall, | 135 00 | |
| | | 1,363 50 |
| *From miscellaneous sources*: | | |
| Interest on deposits at bank, | 191 42 | |
| Surplus in grill room, | 400 00 | |
| | | 591 42 |
| | | $30,234 76 |

| Expenditures. | | Amounts. |
|---|---|---|
| *Ordinary Expenses*: | | |
| Appropriation for House Committee,.. | $10,267 70 | |
| Appropriation for Library Committee, | 700 00 | |
| Appropriation for Art Committee, .. | 105 00 | |
| Taxes, water rent, licenses, telephone, | 1,849 46 | |
| Fuel, $427.50; Printing, stationery, $331.10, | 758 60 | |
| Servants' livery, | 194 97 | |
| Expenses of annual meeting, | 147 14 | |
| Repairs, papering, etc., | 65 15 | |
| | | $14.088 02 |
| *Extraordinary expenses*: | | |
| Water color, "Sunset on L. I. Sound," | $100 00 | |
| Bedroom furniture and furnishings,.. | 479 51 | |
| Office furniture and electric fans, .. | 113 75 | |
| Entrance fee and dues returned, .... | 78 75 | |
| Earnest money, No. 25 Madison Place, | 1,000 00 | |
| Traveling, No. 25 Madison Place,..... | 143 03 | |
| Expenses of 25th anniversary meeting, | 193 12 | |
| Interest paid: | | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1893 bonds, .. | 747 50 | |
| On coupons Cosmos 1901 bonds, .. | 1,195 00 | |
| Redemption and cancelation of Cosmos 1893 bonds, with interest, | 613 25 | |
| | | 4,663 91 |
| Miscellaneous small bills, | | 125 18 |
| Balance December 31, 1903, | | 11,357 65 |
| | | $30,234 76 |

Cosmos bonds of 1893 to the extent of $600 having been redeemed during the year, the bonded debt stood as follows at the end of the year: Bonded debt of July 31, 1893, $14,400; bonded debt of April 8, 1901, $30,000; total, $44,400.

The House Committee expended $5,606.04 in stock for the restaurant in 1903, and turned in $1,631.33 as profits on sales during the year. It expended $5,595.36 in supplies for the grill, and reported a net profit therein of $446.23.

LA PEINTURE,
By P. AUBE.
Bronze Statuette, a gift of a Member of the Club.

The work of the Club is done by individual members from a desire to make it a success and from a hearty interest in its welfare, and is not left, as is usual in other clubs, to servants. The members of the House Committee have personally superintended the ordering, purchases and disposition of their stores, at an expense of time and labor which we can hardly appreciate. They have cheerfully and willingly given their time and attention to the duties to which they have been called. * * * To preserve in the future what we have gained in the past, we should adhere to the same policy of doing the work of the Club ourselves, in order to be sure that it is well done.—*Annual report of the Board of Management, 1880.*

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WM. H. HOLMES.
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R. W. SHUFELDT.
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GEORGE N. FRENCH.
J. H. BRICKENSTEIN.
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ROBERT STEAD.
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IRVING H. DUNLAP.
ROBERT STEAD.
GEORGE W. BAIRD.
1902,.....ROBERT STEAD, Chairman.
GEORGE W. BAIRD.
H. W. WILEY.
F. A. RICHARDSON.
A. B. COOLIDGE.
1903,.....ROBERT STEAD, Chairman.
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E. A. CRANE.
F. I. ALLEN.

In the same way every other Committee has given its best intelligence to settling the questions which have come before it. This has been done, too, from the desire to forward the welfare of the Club, and not from personal or private motives.—*Annual report of the Board of Management, 1880.*

1878,.....J. C. WELLING, Chairman.
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LESTER F. WARD.

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WM. H. HOLMES.
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J. J. McELHONE.

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DAVID HUTCHESON.
LESTER F. WARD.

1887, to June 30, SWAN M. BURNETT, Chairman.
H. H. BATES.
J. C. HORNBLOWER.
1887, to Dec. 31, MARCUS BAKER, Chairman.
FRANK BAKER.
J. H. BRYAN.
1888,.....MARCUS BAKER, Chairman.
J. J. DANA.
THOMAS RUSSELL.
1889,.....THOMAS RUSSELL, Chairman.
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1891,.....WILLIAM LEE, Chairman.
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WALTER HOUGH.
1892,.....WILLIAM LEE, Chairman.
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1893,.....CYRUS ADLER, Chairman.
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F. H. PARSONS.
1902,.....W. P. CUTTER, Chairman.
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R. L. PRESTON.
1903,.....W. P. CUTTER, Chairman.
R. L. PRESTON.
F. A. RICHARDSON.

# ART COMMITTEES

The Club is greatly indebted to the Art Committees for the many interesting exhibitions given, under their management, in the assembly hall from time to time, such exhibitions consisting principally of original works of art and architectural drawings by resident and non-resident painters, sculptors and architects, and displays of loan collections of tapestries, books, engravings, photographs, microscopical specimens, etc.

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WM. M. POINDEXTER.

1896,.....PARKER MANN, Chairman.
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1897,.....PARKER MANN, Chairman.
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1902,.....WM. H. HOLMES, Chairman.
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A. H. BALDWIN.
1903,.....H. HOBART NICHOLS, Chairman.
A. H. BALDWIN.
E. L. MORSE.

# LIST OF MEMBERS

From November 16, 1878, to November 16, 1903.

NOTE.—The date of election of a member is shown by the date immediately following his name; a dash following this date signifies that he is no longer a member. Where the date of election only is given, membership existed at the date of the twenty-fifth anniversary.

Dr. Benjamin has supplied or verified nearly all of the full christian names. Where initials only are given the full name was not obtainable.

CLEVELAND ABBE, Sr., Feb. 5, 1883; resigned Dec. 31, 1884.
Professor of Meteorology, Weather Bureau.

CLEVELAND ABBE, Jr., Oct. 14, 1895; resigned Dec. 31, 1899.
Professor of Geology and Biology, Western Maryland College.

TRUMAN ABBE, June 8, 1903.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS ABBEY, Dec. 10, 1894.
Captain, U. S. Revenue Cutter Service.

SYLVANUS THAYER ABERT, April 3, 1882; resigned Dec. 31, 1893.
Civil Engineer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM STONE ABERT, May 14, 1894.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE NICHOLAS ACKER, April 2, 1883.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE IRVING ADAMS, Dec. 9, 1902.
Assistant Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY ADAMS, (Founder.)
Author, Washington, D. C.

HENRY CARTER ADAMS, April 1, 1889.
Professor of Political Economy, University of Michigan.

SAMUEL SHUGERT ADAMS, Jan. 12, 1903.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

ALVEY AUGUSTUS ADEE, May 2, 1887; resigned Jan. 7, 1889.
Assistant Secretary of State.

CYRUS ADLER, June 2, 1890.
Archæologist; Librarian, National Museum.

WALTER MONTEITH AIKEN, June 10, 1895; resigned Dec. 31, 1897.
Supervising Architect, Treasury Department.

FRED CRAYTON AINSWORTH, Feb. 7, 1887; resigned June 11, 1888.
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.

CHARLES HENRY ALDEN, Oct. 9, 1893; resigned Dec. 31, 1897.
Assistant Surgeon-General, U. S. Army.

ASA OWEN ALDIS, Nov. 1, 1880; resigned Jan. 14, 1884.
Jurist.

ROBERT CARTER ALEXANDER, June 13, 1898; died Nov. 5, 1899.
Editor, *"Mail and Express,"* New York.

THOMSON HANKEY ALEXANDER, Dec. 3, 1883; resigned Jan. 10, 1885.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES HERBERT ALLEN, May 7, 1888; resigned Jan. 1, 1890.
Member of Congress from Massachusetts.

FREDERICK INNES ALLEN, Nov. 11, 1901.
Commissioner of Patents.

BENJAMIN ALVORD, (Founder); died Oct. 16, 1884.
Paymaster-General, U. S. Army.

HENRY ELYCH ALVORD, Oct. 14, 1895.
Chief of Dairy Division, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.

DANIEL GRIFFITH AMBLER, February 9, 1903.
Capitalist.

NICHOLAS LONGWORTH ANDERSON, Nov. 1, 1886; re-signed Dec. 5, 1887.

ELIPHALET FRAZER ANDREWS, Nov. 1, 1880; resigned Jan. 11, 1886; re-elected March 7, 1887; resigned Jan. 1, 1896.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM EDWARDS ANNIN, March 5, 1888——

GEORGE ARTHUR, January 10, 1887; died Nov. 1, 1887.
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

WILLIAM HARRIS ASHMEAD, March 14, 1892.
Entomologist; Assistant Curator, National Museum.

WILBUR OLIN ATWATER, March 4, 1899.
Professor of Chemistry, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.

CYRUS CATES BABB, April 11, 1892.
Civil Engineer; Hydrographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

DALLAS BACHE, March 14, 1898; resigned January 1, 1901.
Assistant Surgeon-General, U. S. Army.

HENRY BACON, April 5, 1888——

MARCELLUS BAILEY, (Founder); resigned January 10, 1885; re-elected December 6, 1886; resigned January 1, 1890.
Patent Lawyer.

PRESTON HEATH BAILHACHE, November 14, 1898.
Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.

GEORGE WASHINGTON BAIRD, November 11, 1895.
Chief Engineer, U. S. Navy.

SPENCER FULLERTON BAIRD, (Founder); died August 19, 1887.
Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

FRANK BAKER, June 5, 1882.
Superintendent National Zoological Park, Washington, D. C.

MARCUS BAKER, December 1, 1884.
Cartographer, U. S. Geological Survey; Secretary Board of Geographic Names; Asst. Sec'y Carnegie Institution of Washington.

ALBERTUS HUTCHINSON BALDWIN, February 13, 1899.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM DICKSON BALDWIN, March 12, 1900.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD ARTHUR BALLOCH, November 10, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOHN CHANDLER BANCROFT, January 13, 1890; resigned January 1, 1898.
Sculptor.

EDWARD CHESTER BARNARD, February 4, 1889.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOB BARNARD, April 13, 1903.
Associate Justice Supreme Court District of Columbia.

WILLIAM BARNUM, December 12, 1898.
Editor, Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

JOHN RUSSELL BARTLETT, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1897.
Captain, U. S. Navy.

WILLIAM ALVIN BARTLETT, February 7, 1887; resigned January 1, 1898.
Pastor New York Ave. Presbyterian Church.

CARL BARUS, January 12, 1885; resigned July 1, 1895.
Physicist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ARTHUR EDGERTON BATEMAN, March 6, 1882; resigned July 1, 1886.
Banker.

HENRY HOBART BATES, February 1, 1886.
Examiner in Chief, Patent Office.

NEWTON LEMUEL BATES, (Founder); resigned January 1, 1881; re-elected May 5, 1884; died October 18, 1897.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

WILLIAM RUFUS BATES, March 14, 1892.
U. S. Marshal, Detroit, Mich.

LOUIS AGRICOLA BAUER, June 12, 1899.
Chief Terrestrial Magnetism Div., U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

JAMES BOWEN BAYLOR, December 1, 1879.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

CLIFTON BAYLEY BEACH, February 10, 1896——
Member of Congress from Ohio.

S. FERGUSON BEACH, May 2, 1887; resigned January 1, 1890.

TRUXTON BEALE, June 9, 1902.
Diplomat.

CHARLES B. BEALL, April 10, 1893—

TARLETON HOFFMANN BEAN, Dec. 3, 1883.
Curator, Department Fishes, U. S. National Museum.

WILLIAM HENRY BECK, Feb. 2, 1885.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE FERDINAND BECKER, Jan. 13, 1890.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL, Jan. 12, 1880.
Scientist; Inventor; President National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES JAMES BELL, Jan. 8, 1883.
President American Security and Trust Co., Washington, D. C.

CHICHESTER ALEXANDER BELL, Nov. 7, 1881; resigned Jan. 1, 1887.
Chemist, Washington, D. C.

MARCUS BENJAMIN, Oct. 12, 1896.
Editor, U. S. National Museum.

CHARLES BENDIRE, June 4, 1888; died Feb. 4, 1897.
Captain of Infantry, U. S. Army; Ornithologist.

EMIL BESSELS, (Founder); died March 30, 1888.
Surgeon; Naturalist; Ethnologist.

ALBERT BURNLEY BIBB, Jan. 11, 1892; resigned Jan. 1, 1899.
Architect.

JULIUS BIEN, May 4, 1885.
Artist; Publisher; Lithographer; New York.

JULIUS BIEN, Jr., Feb. 8, 1897.
Publisher; Lithographer; New York.

FRANK HAGAR BIGELOW, Oct. 6, 1890.
Professor of Meteorology, Weather Bureau; Assistant Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church.

WILLARD DELL BIGELOW, May 8, 1899.
Assistant Chemist, Department of Agriculture.

JOHN SHAW BILLINGS, (Founder).
Deputy Surgeon-General, U. S. Army; Librarian of New York Public Library.

HENRY HARRISON BINGHAM, Jan. 10, 1881; resigned Jan. 1, 1889.
Member of Congress from Pennsylvania.

THEODORE ALFRED BINGHAM, Oct. 11, 1897; resigned July 1, 1898.
Major, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

CHARLES CHAUNCEY BINNEY, Oct. 9, 1893.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ROGERS BIRNIE, Dec. 6, 1886.
Major, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army.

HENRY CAMPBELL BLACK, Nov. 14, 1892.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM MURRAY BLACK, April 12, 1897; resigned July 1, 1898.
Captain, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; Commissioner District of Columbia.

FRED. JOHNSON BLAIR, Feb. 9, 1891——

HENRY FITCH BLOUNT, June 2, 1890.
Vice-President, American Security and Trust Co., Washington, D. C.

TIMOTHY DIX BOLLES, Oct. 6, 1879; resigned Jan. 1, 1881.
Lieut., U. S. Navy.

CHANNING MOORE BOLTON, Jan. 9, 1893; resigned Jan. 1, 1903.
Civil Engineer, Rio, Va.

HENRY CARRINGTON BOLTON, Feb. 6, 1888.
Chemist, Washington, D. C.

SAMUEL ROBERT BOND, June 2, 1890.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOHN MILTON BONHAM, Dec. 6, 1886; died June 17, 1897.
Author; Financier.

WILLIAM ALCIPHRON BORING, May 13, 1901.
Architect, New York.

CHARLES OTIS BOUTELLE, Dec. 5, 1887; died June 22, 1890.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

JOHN WESLEY BOVEE, May 12, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOWERS, May 5, 1890.
New Haven Trust Company, New Haven, Connecticut.

FRANCIS TIFFANY BOWLES, December 4, 1882; resigned July 1, 1901.
Chief Constructor, U. S. Navy.

GEORGE LOTHROP BRADLEY, March 5, 1883.

JOHN HENRY BRICKENSTEIN, December 10, 1894.
Examiner in Chief, Patent Office.

ALEXANDER THOMPSON BRITTON, June 13, 1892; died July 7, 1899.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ALFRED HULSE BROOKS, February 11, 1895.
Assistant Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

WILLIAM BROUGH, February 1, 1886.
Financier.

CHAPIN BROWN, December 6, 1886.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
GLENN BROWN, January 9, 1888.
Architect, Washington, D. C.
HENRY BILLINGS BROWN, June 14, 1897.
Justice Supreme Court United States, Washington, D. C.
STIMPSON JOSEPH BROWN, May 14, 1900.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy.
WILLIAM GEORGE BROWN, January 14, 1895; resigned July 1, 1896.
Chemist, Department of Agriculture.
ALDIS BIRDSEY BROWNE, March 12, 1894.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
ARTHUR SULLIVAN BROWNE, May 14, 1900.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
JOHN MILLS BROWNE, November 5, 1883; died December 7, 1894.
Surgeon-General, U. S. Navy.
ARNOLD WILLIAM BRUNNER, February 10, 1902.
Architect, New York.
JOSEPH HAMMOND BRYAN, January 14, 1884.
Physician, Washington, D. C.
BARRY BULKLEY, January 9, 1888.
Secretary, Business Men's Association, Washington, D. C.
JOHN WELLS BULKLEY, January 10, 1887.
Physician, Washington, D. C.
SWAN MOSES BURNETT, June 2, 1879.
Physician, Washington, D. C.
HORATIO CHAPIN BURCHARD, May 5, 1879; resigned January 1, 1886.
Director of the Mint.
GEORGE ENSIGN BUSHNELL, February 13, 1899; resigned January 1, 1901.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.
WILLIAM HENRY BUTTON, January 10, 1898.
Assistant Attorney, Office of the Attorney General.
LOUIS CABOT, March 7, 1887.
FRANK KENNETH CAMERON, November 11, 1895.
Soil Chemist, Department of Agriculture.
MARIUS ROBINSON CAMPBELL, January 13, 1896.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

WILLIAM SHAW CAMPBELL, March 12, 1900.

HENRY WHITE CANNON, December 1, 1884.
Financier, New York.

HORACE CAPRON, January 10, 1879; resigned May 5, 1879.
Commissioner of Agriculture.

F. D. Y. CARPENTER, March 7, 1881; resigned July 1, 1883.

J. FAIRFIELD CARPENTER, February 8, 1892; died abroad.
Capitalist.

ZACHARIAH T. CARPENTER, May 3, 1886; died, 1891.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM KEARNEY CARR, November 9, 1903.

EDWARD CHAMPE CARTER, June 12, 1899.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

HENRY A. P. CARTER, May 7, 1883; died November 1, 1891.
Minister from Hawaii.

THOMAS LINCOLN CASEY, Jr., November 12, 1894.
Major, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; Entomologist.

JAMES McKEEN CATTELL, June 2, 1902.
Professor of Psychology, Columbia University; Editor of *"Science," "Popular Science Monthly,"* etc.

THOMAS CHROWDER CHAMBERLIN, April 2, 1883; resigned January 1, 1889.
Geologist; President, University of Wisconsin.

WALTER HOWARD CHAMBERLIN, December 11, 1889.
Assistant Commissioner of Patents.

DAVID ABBOT CHAMBERS, October 14, 1895.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

FRANK TAYLOR CHAMBERS, June 14, 1897.
Civil Engineer, U. S. Navy.

ROBERT HOLLISTER CHAPMAN, December 11, 1893.
U. S. Geological Survey.

THOMAS MAREAN CHATARD, January 14, 1884.
Mining Engineer, Washington, D. C.

HOBART CHATFIELD CHATFIELD-TAYLOR, May 12, 1902.
Author, Chicago, Illinois.

VICTOR KING CHESNUT, December 14, 1896.
Assistant Botanist, Division of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture.

JOHN WHITE CHICKERING, (Founder); resigned January 1, 1880.
Professor, Columbian Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Washington, D. C.

G. B. CHITTENDEN, February 7, 1881——

MELVILLE CHURCH, April 10, 1899.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ALONZO HOWARD CLARK, December 2, 1889.
Historian; Secretary American Historical Association, Smithsonian Institution.

WILLIAM BULLOCK CLARK, January 14, 1895.
Professor of Geology, Johns Hopkins University.

FRANK WIGGLESWORTH CLARKE, May 7, 1883.
Chemist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ISAAC EDWARDS CLARKE, (Founder).
Compiler, Bureau of Education, Interior Department.

TITIAN JAMES COFFEY, October 1, 1883; resigned January 1, 1886.

JOHN HUNTINGTON CRANE COFFIN, Sr., November 1, 1880; died January 8, 1890.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy.

JOHN HUNTINGTON CRANE COFFIN, Jr., January 10, 1881; resigned January 1, 1887.
Lieutenant, U. S. Navy.

CHARLES CLEAVES COLE, April 9, 1894; resigned January 1, 1895.
Associate Justice, Supreme Court, District of Columbia.

THEODORE LEE COLE, June 6, 1896.
Law Book Company, Washington, D. C.

ARTHUR JAMES COLLIER, June 9, 1902.
Assistant Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

BENJAMIN AZARIAH COLONNA, November 7, 1881; resigned July 1, 1895.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

CHARLES ELMER COMPTON, February 12, 1900.
Colonel, U. S. Army, retired.

JOHN MERRITT COMSTOCK, November 9, 1896; died February 5, 1899.
Chief, Customs Division, Treasury Department.

CHARLES ARTHUR CONANT, October 9, 1899.
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

HOLMES CONRAD, October 14, 1895; resigned July 1, 1900; re-elected Nov. 9, 1903.
Assistant Attorney General.

GEORGE WYTHE COOK, May 11, 1896.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

AUGUSTUS BURT COOLIDGE, October 10, 1892.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM BRINTON CORBIT, December 1, 1879; died July 17, 1882.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

LUIS FELIPE COREA, October 8, 1890; resigned January 1, 1902.
E. E. and M. P. of Nicaragua.

JOHN BRADBURY COTTON, April 14, 1902.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK RENE COUDERT, April 12, 1897; resigned January 1, 1899.

ELLIOTT COUES, December 1, 1879——
Naturalist.

FREDERICK VERNON COVILLE, November 14, 1892.
Chief Botanist, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM VAN ZANDT COX, January 10, 1887.
Chief Clerk, National Museum; President Second National Bank, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT CRAIG, February 7, 1881; resigned January 10, 1885.
Lieutenant of Artillery, U. S. Army.

THOMAS CRAIG, June 2, 1879; resigned January 1, 1890.
Mathematician.

CHARLES ALBERT CRAMPTON, March 5, 1888.
Chemist, Bureau Internal Revenue, Treasury Department.

EDWARD ANDREW CRANE, April 11, 1898.
Chief, Division Engineering and Drafting, Supervising Architect's Office, Treasury Department.

ANGUS CRAWFORD, March 14, 1898.
Episcopal Clergyman, Alexandria, Virginia.

MONTGOMERY CROCKETT, January 14, 1889; resigned July 1, 1890.
Physician.

OSCAR TERRY CROSBY, March 9, 1896.
Electrician.

WHITMAN CROSS, November 5, 1888.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY JOSEPH CROSSON, November 12, 1900.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

SEYMOUR CUNNINGHAM, June 6, 1887; resigned January 1, 1889.
Real Estate.

JABEZ LAMAR MUNROE CURRY, December 9, 1895; died February 19, 1903.
Educator.

BENJAMIN CURTIS, April 13, 1896.
Publisher.

GEORGE EDWARD CURTIS, December 2, 1889; resigned July 1, 1893.
Meteorologist, U. S. Weather Bureau.

JOSIAH CURTIS, (Founder); resigned January 1, 1883.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM ELEROY CURTIS, December 6, 1886.
Journalist; Director, Bureau American Republics.

ALLERTON SEWARD CUSHMAN, November 11, 1901.
Chemist, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM PARKER CUTTER, November 12, 1894.
Chief, Order Division, Library of Congress.

CHARLES WILLIAM DABNEY, Jr., June 11, 1894.
President, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee.

ARTHUR HAZARD DAKIN, October 12, 1903.

WILLIAM HEALEY DALL, May 2, 1887.
Naturalist; Curator of Mollusks, U. S. National Museum.

JAMES JENSEN DANA, May 5, 1884; resigned January 10, 1885; re-elected January 10, 1887; died September 15, 1898.
Deputy Q. M. G., U. S. Army, retired.

NELSON HORATIO DARTON, December 11, 1899.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES CARLYLE DARWIN, December 4, 1882.
Assistant Librarian, U. S. Geological Survey.

ARTHUR POWELL DAVIS, December 9, 1895.
Civil Engineer; Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES HENRY DAVIS, (Founder), resigned January 1, 1892.
Captain, U. S. Navy.

HENRY EDGAR DAVIS, April 8, 1895.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE WHITEFIELD DAVIS, November 7, 1881; resigned January 10, 1885.
Captain of Infantry, U. S. Army.

JOHN DAVIS, December 6, 1886; resigned December 5, 1887.
Associate Justice, Court of Claims.

JOHN CHANDLER BANCROFT DAVIS, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1892.
Reporter, U. S. Supreme Court.

EDWARD MATTHEWS DAWSON, March 9, 1903.
Chief Clerk, Department of the Interior.

ARTHUR LOUIS DAY, April 8, 1901.
Physicist, U. S. Geological Survey.

DAVID TALBOT DAY, November 4, 1889; resigned January 1, 1893; re-elected February 11, 1901.
Chief of Mining and Mineral Division, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY BUCKMASTER DEALE, June 10, 1895.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

R. C. DEAN, February 3, 1879——

WILLIAM AUGUSTIN DECAINDRY, December 6, 1886.
Chief Clerk, Office Commissary-General, War Department; Lawyer.

LEON EMIL DESSEZ, March 9, 1903.
Architect.

MAXIMILIAN SCHELE DEVERE, October 12, 1896; died May 11, 1898.
Professor of Languages.

JOSEPH SILAS DILLER, December 7, 1885.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES RICHARDS DODGE, November 12, 1894.
Textile Fiber Expert.

THOMAS DONALDSON, June 2, 1879; died November 18, 1898.
Mineralogist.

EDWARD WILLIAM DONN, Jr., March 9, 1896.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

JOHN W. DONN, March 7, 1887; resigned January 1, 1896.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

MARION DORSET, June 9, 1902.
Chemist, Biochemic Laboratory, Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE AMOS DORSEY, December 8, 1902.
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill.

EDWARD MOOREHOUSE DOUGLAS, March 7, 1887.
Geographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE WILLIAM DOUGLAS, October 6, 1890; resigned July 1, 1892.
Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

ALEXANDER WILSON DRAKE, December 1, 1884; resigned December 31, 1897.
Art Director, *The Century,* New York.

CHARLES BENJAMIN DUDLEY, April 9, 1900.
Chemist, Altoona, Penn.

WILLIAM WARD DUFFIELD, December 10, 1894; resigned December 31, 1897.
Superintendent, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

EDWARD SLATER DUNLAP, December 8, 1902.
Assistant Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

IRVING HALL DUNLAP, March 13, 1899.
Chief Clerk, Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

EDWARD DANA DURAND, October 12, 1903.
Statistician.

CLARENCE EDWARD DUTTON, (Founder).
Major, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army, retired.

THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN DWIGHT, (Founder); resigned December 31, 1882.
Librarian, Department of State.

LEONARD HUNTRESS DYER, April 14, 1902.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM SYLVESTER EAMES, April 9, 1900.
Architect, St. Louis, Missouri.

JOHN ROBIE EASTMAN, (Founder).
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy, retired; Astronomer.

EDWARD DENISON EASTON, May 7, 1883; resigned January 1, 1902.
President, Columbia Phonograph Company.

JOHN EATON, May 2, 1881——

ROBERT THAXTER EDES, December 6, 1886; resigned December 31, 1891.

Physician, Garfield Memorial Hospital, Washington, D. C.

JOHN JOY EDSON, March 9, 1896.

President, Washington Loan & Trust Company, Washington, D. C.

JOSEPH ROMANZO EDSON, February 10, 1896; resigned January 1, 1898.

Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C.

MAURICE FRANCIS EGAN, April 11, 1898.

Professor of English Language and Literature, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD EGGLESTON, June 10, 1901; died September 3, 1902.

Author.

WILLIAM EIMBECK, (Founder).

Geodesist; Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

CARL VON EISENDECKER, April 7, 1884; resigned December 31, 1886.

GEORGE D. ELDRIDGE, April 13, 1891——

EZEKIEL BROWN ELLIOTT, (Founder); died May 24, 1888.

Actuary, Treasury Department.

W. ST. GEORGE ELLIOTT, June 11, 1894; resigned July 1, 1895.

R. A. ELMER, February 5, 1883——

SAMUEL FRANKLIN EMMONS, March 6, 1882; resigned July 1, 1894.

Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

FREDERICK EMORY, December 10, 1900.

Chief of Bureau of Foreign Commerce, Department of State.

MORDECAI THOMAS ENDICOTT, March 9, 1896.

Civil Engineer, U. S. Navy. Chief of Yards and Docks Navy Department.

FREDERIC MILLER ENDLICH, (Founder), ——

ROBLEY DUNGLISON EVANS, November 5, 1883; resigned July 1, 1901.

Captain, U. S. Navy.

W. WARRINGTON EVANS, December 4, 1882.
Dentist, Washington, D. C.

HENRY SIDNEY EVERETT, February 7, 1887; resigned December 8, 1890.
Chief, Diplomatic Bureau, Department of State.

BARTON WARREN EVERMAN, June 13, 1898.
Ichthyologist, U. S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

DAVID GRANDISON FAIRCHILD, January 10, 1898.
Explorer of foreign countries; Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

ARTHUR BRIGGS FARQUHAR, January 13, 1902.
Manufacturer, York, Penn.

EDWARD FARQUHAR, November 5, 1888.
Assistant Librarian, U. S. Patent Office.

OLIVER LANARD FASSIG, March 13, 1893.
Meteorologist; Professor, Johns Hopkins University.

JOHN B. FASSITT, March 1, 1886; resigned December 31, 1887.

EDWARD ALLEN FAY, April 7, 1879; resigned June 4, 1888.
Professor, Columbian Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Washington, D. C.

G. S. FELLOWS, November 4, 1889; died August 26, 1901.
Teacher.

THOMAS BARKER FERGUSON, June 2, 1879; resigned April 5, 1880.
Assistant Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries.

BERNHARD EDUARD FERNOW, February 7, 1887.
Director, New York State College of Forestry; Cornell University.

PETER FIREMAN, March 14, 1898.
Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Columbian University.

ALBERT KENRICK FISHER, November 10, 1902.
Biologist, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

LOUIS ALBERT FISCHER, April 8, 1901.
Physicist, National Bureau of Standards.

ROBERT STRETTLE JONES FISHER, February 12, 1894.
General Counsel, Eastern Railroad Association, Washington, D. C.

SAMUEL TUCKER FISHER, April 14, 1902.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES HALL FITCH, November 13, 1899.
Topographer and Hydrographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

J. A. HENRY FLEMER, November 1, 1886; resigned July 1, 1888.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

W. W. FLEMING, June 12, 1893——

LOUIS CASS FLETCHER, February 8, 1892.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

ROBERT FLETCHER, (Founder).
Physician; Assistant Librarian, Army Medical Museum, Washington, D. C.

JAMES MILTON FLINT, October 4, 1880.
Medical Director, U. S. Navy, retired.

THOMAS CLARKSON FOLGER, January 10, 1881; died.
Stenographer to Comptroller of the Currency.

JOHN FOORD, April 13, 1896.
Literatus.

ALLEN RIPLEY FOOTE, April 13, 1891.
Political Economist.

THOMAS G. FORD, June 4, 1888; resigned December 31, 1889.

WILLIAM HENRY FORWOOD, June 8, 1903.
Ex-Surgeon General U. S. Army.

JOHN WATSON FORSTER, January 14, 1889.
Secretary of State; Jurist; Diplomat.

WILLIAM DUDLEY FOULKE, January 13, 1902.
Civil Service Commissioner.

EDWIN HORATIO FOWLER, December 11, 1899.
Draftsman, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

DUANE EDWIN FOX, March 1, 1886.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT CLAYBROOK FOX, March 1, 1886; died July 18, 1891.
Treasurer, Columbian University.

WILLIAMS CARLETON FOX, March 11, 1901.
Chief Clerk, Bureau American Republics.

WILLIAM HENRY FOX, Dec. 3, 1888; resigned July 1, 1891.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

HARRY CRAWFORD FRANKENFIELD, April 8, 1901.
Forecaster, Weather Bureau.

ROBERT THOMAS FRAZIER, December 8, 1902.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE NORRIS FRENCH, December 10, 1894.
Chief Clerk to Superintendent Building and Grounds, Library of Congress.

LEIGH HILL FRENCH, November 8, 1897.
Physician, New Rochelle, N. Y.

OWEN BERT FRENCH, February 11, 1901.
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HERBERT FRIEDENWALD, December 10, 1894.
Author, Philadelphia.

EDWARD T. FRISTOE, April 2, 1883; died July 30, 1892.
Professor of Chemistry, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

THOMAS JAMES DUNCAN FULLER, November 12, 1900.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD MINER GALLAUDET, (Founder).
President, Columbian Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Washington, D. C.

BEVERLY THOMAS GALLOWAY, November 12, 1894.
Chief of Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture.

HENRY GANNETT, (Founder).
Geographer, U. S. Geological Survey; Chairman, Board on Geographic names.

SAMUEL STINSON GANNETT, January 12, 1891.
Geographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY WISE GARNETT, January 8, 1894; died July 10, 1897.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD BENNETT GARRIOTT, October 8, 1900.
Professor of Meteorology, Weather Bureau; Forcaster.

THOMAS GOLDING GERDINE, March 9, 1903.
Topographer.

ALBERT LEAHY GIHON, November 7, 1881; resigned February 1, 1886.
Medical Director, U. S. Navy.

CASS GILBERT, June 9, 1902.
Architect, St. Paul, Minn.

GROVE KARL GILBERT, (Founder).
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

DE LANCY WALKER GILL, May 9, 1892.
Illustrator, Bureau of Ethnology.

HERBERT ABRAHAM GILL, December 1, 1879; resigned January 1, 1884.
Chief Clerk, Fish Commission.

THEODORE NICHOLAS GILL, (Founder).
Zoologist, Washington, D. C.

DANIEL COIT GILMAN, (Founder); resigned April 3, 1882; re-elected February 9, 1903.
President, Johns Hopkins University; President, Carnegie Institution.

CHARLES S. GLEED, March 13, 1893; resigned January 1, 1896.
Editor.

CHARLES CARROLL GLOVER, November 7, 1887; resigned December 31, 1891; re-elected February 9, 1903.
Treasurer, Corcoran Gallery of Art; Banker.

WILLIAM H. GODDARD, February 4, 1884; died 1891.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

EDMUND LEE GOLDSBOROUGH, November 9, 1903.
Ichthyologist.

FRANK AUSTIN GOOCH, December 1, 1884; resigned January 1, 1886.
Chemist, New Haven, Conn.

GEORGE BROWN GOODE, October 3, 1881; died September 6, 1896.
Assistant Secretary, Smithsonian Institution.

RICHARD URQUHART GOODE, March 1, 1886.
Geographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

EDWARD GOODFELLOW, (Founder); died May 7, 1899.
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

JAMES HOWARD GORE, November 5, 1883.
Professor of Mathematics, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

FRANK DEWOLF GRANGER, October 3, 1881.
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

EDWARD OZIEL GRAVES, March 7, 1887; resigned 1889.
Superintendent, Bureau Engraving and Printing, Treasury Department.

HENRY SOLON GRAVES, November 14, 1898; resigned January 1, 1901.
Professor of Forestry, New Haven, Conn.

HORACE GRAY, April 3, 1882; died September 15, 1902.
Justice, U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM BRUCE GRAY, January 10, 1887——

ADOLPHUS WASHINGTON GREELY, January 10, 1887.
Brigadier General, Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army.

ARTHUR PHILIP GREELEY, June 9, 1902.
Ex-Assistant Commissioner of Patents; Patent Lawyer.

BERNARD RICHARDSON GREEN, April 11, 1892.
Civil Engineer; Superintendent Buildings and Grounds, Library of Congress.

EDWARD HARRIS GREEN, June 4, 1883; resigned January 1, 1892.
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

FRANCIS MARSHALL GREEN, April 3, 1882; resigned December 31, 1883.
Commander, U. S. Navy.

EDWARD LEE GREENE, October 14, 1895; resigned January 1, 1902.
Professor of Botany, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES RAVENSCROFT GREENLEAF, December 2, 1889; resigned July 1, 1903.
Assistant Surgeon General, U. S. Army.

WILLIAM TUDOR GRISWOLD, March 2, 1885.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

MAURICE N. GROSSMAN, June 4, 1883; resigned January 1, 1884.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

GILBERT HOVEY GROSVENOR, March 11, 1901.
Editor of *National Geographic Magazine.*

FRANCIS M. GUNNELL, (Founder).
Ex-Surgeon General, U. S. Navy, retired.

WILLIAM COVINGTON GUNNELL, October 9, 1893.
Civil Engineer.

FRANK WARREN HACKETT, January 14, 1889.
Ex-Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Lawyer.

ALEXANDER BURTON HAGNER, December 3, 1883.
Associate Justice Supreme Court District of Columbia, retired.

ARNOLD HAGUE, December 1, 1884.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ASAPH HALL, Jr., May 5, 1890; resigned January 1, 1895.
Professor of Astronomy, University of Michigan.

WILLIAM HALLOCK, January 12, 1885; resigned January 1, 1886.
Physicist, U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE ERNEST HAMILTON, October 12, 1896.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM HAMILTON, March 9, 1896.
Assistant Agent of Education in Alaska, Bureau of Education.

CHARLES SUMNER HAMLIN, April 12, 1897.
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

THOMAS HAMPSON, March 5, 1883; died April 23, 1888.
Editor, U. S. Geological Survey.

GLOSSBRENNER WALLACE WILLIAM HANGER, March 10, 1902.
Chief Clerk, Department of Labor.

WILLIAM HARKNESS, (Founder); died February 28, 1903.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy, retired; Astronomer.

MARK WALROD HARRINGTON, October 12, 1891; resigned January 1, 1898.
Chief of Weather Bureau, Department of Agriculture.

HENRY JOHN HARRIS, October 13, 1902.
Department of Labor.

WILLIAM TORREY HARRIS, February 3, 1890.
Commissioner of Education, Interior Department.

ALEXANDER RICHMOND HART, December 3, 1883; resigned January 1, 1900.
Publisher, New York.

EUGENE ELWIN HASKELL, June 13, 1892.
Civil Engineer, Detroit, Mich.

GEORGE WESSON HAWES, March 9, 1881; died June 22, 1882.
Curator, National Museum.

JOSEPH ROSWELL HAWLEY, January 10, 1887; resigned July 1, 1890.
U. S. Senator from Connecticut.

WILLIAM PERRY HAY, April 9, 1900.
Professor Natural Sciences, Howard University.

EDWARD EVERETT HAYDEN, February 2, 1885.
Lieutenant Commander, U. S. Navy.

CHARLES WILLARD HAYES, March 14, 1892.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOHN FILLMORE HAYFORD, November 14, 1898.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

DANIEL LYMAN HAZARD, December 12, 1898.
Computer, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

WILLIAM BABCOCK HAZEN, January 14, 1884; died January 16, 1887.
Brigadier General, Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army.

FRAZIER DAVENPORT HEAD, March 1, 1886.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOHN FRAZIER HEAD, January 12, 1885.
Brigadier General, Surgeon, U. S. Army, retired.

JOHN CRESWELL HEALD, April 11, 1898.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

AUGUSTUS GEORGE HEATON, December 6, 1886.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

BENJAMIN SHERWOOD HEDRICK, (Founder); died, September, 1886.
Examiner, Patent Office.

ALEXANDER HENDERSON, April 2, 1883; resigned December 31, 1884.
Chief Engineer, U. S. Navy.

CHARLES MILLON HENDLEY, November 11, 1901.
Private Secretary.

WILLIAM WOODBURY HENDRICKSON, March 9, 1891; resigned January 1, 1901.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy.

ALFRED JUDSON HENRY, May 9, 1898.
Chief Division Meteorological Records, Weather Bureau.

F. A. HENRY, January 9, 1899; resigned July 1, 1901.
Clergyman.

HENRY WETHERBEE HENSHAW, (Founder).
Ethnologist, Bureau of Ethnology.

CUMBERLAND GEORGE HERNDON, January 14, 1884.
Medical Inspector, U. S. Navy.

GILBERT HENRY HICKS, October 12, 1896; died December 5, 1898.
Assistant Botanist, Department of Agriculture.

FRANCIS JOHN HIGGINSON, March 5, 1883; resigned December 31, 1896.
Commander, U. S. Navy.

WILLIAM THOMAS HILDRUP, February 5, 1883; resigned January 1, 1900.
Manufacturer, Harrisburg, Penna.

JULIUS ERASMUS HILGARD, December 4, 1882; resigned December 31, 1883.
Superintendent, Coast and Geodetic Survey.

CHARLES S. HILL, March 1, 1880——

DAVID JAYNE HILL, November 14, 1898.
Assistant Secretary of State; U. S. Minister to Switzerland.

FREDERIC STANHOPE HILL, December 1, 1884; resigned February 1, 1886.
Editor *Cambridge Tribune,* Cambridge, Mass.

JAMES GREEN HILL, October 9, 1893.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

JOHN ROSS HILL, October 14, 1895.
Chief Engraving Division, Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

JOSEPH ADNA HILL, April 9, 1900.
Chief of Division, Census Office.

NATHANIEL PETER HILL, March 5, 1883; died May 22, 1900.
U. S. Senator from Colorado.

ROBERT THOMAS HILL, December 14, 1891.
Geologist.

SAMUEL HILL, March 11, 1895; resigned December 31, 1900.
President Minneapolis Trust Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

CURTIS JUSTIN HILLYER, February 5, 1883; resigned January 1, 1885.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT HINCKLEY, December 6, 1886; resigned November 7, 1887.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

S. D. HINMAN, October 4, 1880——

FRANK HARRIS HITCHCOCK, January 14, 1901.
Chief Section of Foreign Markets, Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE SHELDON HOBBS, January 14, 1884; died November 27, 1884.
Clerk, Smithsonian Institution.

FREDERICK WEBB HODGE, April 11, 1898.
International Exchanges, Smithsonian Institution.

HOWARD LINCOLN HODGKINS November 2, 1885.
Professor of Mathematics, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

ADOLPH AUGUST HOEHLING, November 5, 1888; resigned December 31, 1890.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

J. B. HOGE, June 2, 1890; resigned July 1, 1892.
U. S. District Attorney, Washington, D. C.

SAMUEL BECKLEY HOLABIRD, June 6, 1887; resigned January 1, 1889.
Brigadier General, Quartermaster General, U. S. Army.

EDWARD SINGLETON HOLDEN, (Founder); resigned January 1, 1882.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy; Astronomer.

WILLIAM JACOB HOLLAND, May 14, 1900.
Zoologist; Director Carnegie Museum, Pittsburg, Penna.

HERMAN HOLLERITH, March 1, 1886.
Statistician; Inventor; Washington, D. C.

JOSEPH AUSTIN HOLMES, December 8, 1902.
Geologist of North Carolina.

WILLIAM HENRY HOLMES, (Founder).
Chief of Bureau of Ethnology; Anthropologist and Archæologist.

HENRY PETER RENOUF HOLT, June 11, 1894.
Chief of Division, Treasury Department.

LOUIS LEVERETT HOOPER, November 11, 1901.
Head Master Washington School for Boys.

ANDREW DELMAR HOPKINS, January 12, 1903.
Investigator of Foliage Insects, Department of Agriculture.

ARCHIBALD HOPKINS, December 6, 1886; resigned December 31, 1889.
Chief Clerk Court of Claims.

THOMAS SNELL HOPKINS, April 8, 1901.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM TEMPLE HORNADAY, June 4, 1888; resigned July 1, 1890.
Taxadermist, U. S. National Museum; Zoologist.

JOSEPH COERTEN HORNBLOWER, February 5, 1883.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

WALTER HOUGH, December 8, 1890.
Ethnologist, U. S. National Museum.

RICHARD HOVEY, May 8, 1893——

LELAND OSSIAN HOWARD, April 5, 1886.
Chief of Division of Entomology, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM WIRT HOWE, December 11, 1899.
Associate Justice Supreme Court of Louisiana, New Orleans.

EDWIN EUGENE HOWELL, November 9, 1891.
Geologist; Relief-map maker; Washington, D. C.

RICHARD LEWIS HOWELL, June 11, 1894.
Clergyman, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM BARBINE HOWELL, October 11, 1897.
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Appraiser U. S. Customs, New York.

HENRY W. HOWGATE (Founder)—

HENRY LYCURGUS HOWISON, April 2, 1883; resigned December 1, 1884.
Commander, U. S. Navy.

GARDINER GREENE HUBBARD, February 5, 1883; died December 11, 1897.
President National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.

HENRY GUERNSEY HUBBARD, October 8, 1894; died January 18, 1899.
Entomologist, Department of Agriculture.

ADRIAN HUDSON, April 3, 1882; resigned January 1, 1885.
Medical Inspector, U. S. Navy.

EDMUND HUDSON, January 10, 1887——

GAILLARD HUNT, November 13, 1893; resigned December 31, 1897.
Department of State.

THOMAS STERRY HUNT, May 2, 1887; died February 12, 1892.
Chemist; Mineralogist; Geologist.

WALTER DAVID HUNTER, December 9, 1901.
Special Field Agent Division of Entomology, Agricultural Department.

DAVID LOWE HUNTINGTON, November 7, 1881; died December 20, 1899.
Deputy Surgeon-General, U. S. Army.

DAVID HUTCHESON, February 6, 1882.
Superintendent Reading Room, Library of Congress.

FRANCK HYATT, February 8, 1897.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOHN HYDE, December 13, 1897.
Statistician, Department of Agriculture.

JOSEPH PAXTON IDDINGS, January 12, 1885.
Professor of Petrology, University of Chicago.

GEORGE ILES, December 11, 1899.
Author, New York.

ERNEST INGERSOLL, January 9, 1882——

JOHN NELSON JAMES, October 12, 1891; resigned July 1, 1898.
Electrician, U. S. Naval Observatory.

RALPH JENKINS, January 9, 1893.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JEREMIAH WHIPPLE JENKS, May 11, 1903.
Professor of Economics, Cornell University.

ALFRED EMERSON JESSUP, June 10, 1891.
Physical Laboratory Expert, Office Supervising Architect, Treasury Department.

ARNOLD BURGES JOHNSON, October 3, 1881.
Chief Clerk Light House Board, Treasury Department.

EMORY RICHARD JOHNSON, May 14, 1900.
Isthmian Canal Commissioner.

JOSEPH TABER JOHNSON, December 4, 1882.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE WOODRUFF JOHNSTON, November 1, 1886; resigned December 31, 1889.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM WARING JOHNSTON, November 3, 1879; died March 21, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

WALLACE S. JONES, June 13, 1892; resigned July 1, 1893.

SYLVESTER DWIGHT JUDD, November 14, 1898.
Biologist, Department of Agriculture.

SAMUEL HAY KAUFFMANN, April 4, 1881.
President Board Trustees, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.; Editor *Evening Star.*

THOMAS HENRY KEARNEY, December 9, 1901.
Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE KENNAN, October 6, 1879; resigned January 1, 1885.
Explorer; Author; Lecturer.

FREDERICK COURTLANDT KENYON, March 8, 1897——

JAMES KERR, April 5, 1888; resigned July 1, 1890.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

MARK BRICKNELL KERR, March 1, 1886; resigned January 13, 1890.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

WASHINGTON CARUTHERS KERR, November 6, 1882; resigned March 3, 1884.
State Geologist of North Carolina.

CAMILLUS GEORGE KIDDER, June 4, 1883.
Lawyer, New York.

JEROME HENRY KIDDER, December 1, 1879; died April 8, 1889.
Physician; Expert to U. S. Fish Commission.

SUMNER INCREASE KIMBALL, January 10, 1887.
Superintendent Life Savings Service, Treasury Department.

WILLIAM WIRT KIMBALL, October 6, 1879; resigned January 1, 1880.
Lieutenant U. S. Navy.

ALBERT FREEMAN AFRICANUS KING, April 5, 1880.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

CLARENCE KING (Founder); resigned July 1, 1881.
Director U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE ANDERSON KING, December 12, 1898.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM BRUCE KING, April 8, 1895.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

MARTIN AUGUSTINE KNAPP, December 11, 1893.
Chairman Interstate Commerce Commission.

FREDERICK JAY KNIGHT, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1892.
U. S. Geological Survey.

FRANK HALL KNOWLTON, April 7, 1890.
Paleontologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOHN JAY KNOX (Founder;) died February 9, 1892.
Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department.

GEORGE MARTIN KOBER, June 3, 1889.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

STEPHEN JOSEPH KUBEL, April 11, 1898.
Chief Engraver, U. S. Geological Survey.

THEODORE FREDERICK LAIST, April 8, 1901.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT H. LAMBORN, May 5, 1884; died January, 1895.
Mining Engineer.

FRANCIS RANSOM LANE, January 12, 1891.
Director of High Schools, Washington, D. C.

SAMUEL PIERPONT LANGLEY, January 12, 1880.
Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

W. P. LAWVER, March 6, 1882——

CAZENOVE GARDNER LEE, December 10, 1900.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

THOMAS LEE, December 3, 1888; resigned January 1, 1893.

WILLIAM LEE (Founder); died March 3, 1893.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

LEVI ZEIGLER LEITER, January 8, 1883.
Capitalist.

SAMUEL CONRAD LEMLY, December 1, 1884; resigned December 31, 1890.
Lieutenant, U. S. Navy.

FRANCIS ELLINGTON LEUPP, December 7, 1885; resigned January 1, 1894; re-elected March 10, 1902.
Journalist, Washington, D. C.

EDWIN RUFUS LEWIS, February 14, 1898.
Educator, Washington, D. C.

NATHAN SMITH LINCOLN, (Founder)——

WALDEMAR LINDGREN, March 9, 1896.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

SAMUEL McCUNE LINDSAY, February 10, 1902.
Assistant Professor Sociology, University of Pennsylvania.

R. B. LINES, May 4, 1885——

GEORGE WASHINGTON LITTLEHALES, April 9, 1900.
Hydrographic Engineer, Navy Department.

GEORGE M. LOCKWOOD, May 3, 1880——

LEE DAVIS LODGE, April 8, 1895.
President Limestone College, S. C.

WALTER SETH LOGAN, April 10, 1893.
Lawyer, New York City.

EDWIN CHESLEY ESTES LORD, December 9, 1895.
Geologist, Department of Agriculture.

ALFRED MAURICE LOW, February 14, 1898.
Journalist, Washington, D. C.

JAMES LOWNDES, November 1, 1886; resigned December 31, 1889.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

ANTHONY FRANCIS LUCAS, December 9, 1901.
Engineer.

WILLIAM LUDLOW, April 2, 1883; resigned July 1, 1888.
Major, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; Commissioner District of Columbia.

DAVID ALEXANDER LYLE, April 4, 1887.
Major, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army.

THEODORE LYMAN, May 5, 1884; resigned January 1, 1885.
Member of Congress.

GEORGE ARMSTRONG LYON, March 6, 1882.
Pay Director, U. S. Navy.

JOSEPH LYONS, October 6, 1890——

ARTHUR MAC ARTHUR, February 6, 1888; resigned July 1, 1892.
Associate Justice Supreme Court District of Columbia.

CLAY MAC CAULEY, April 7, 1879; resigned January 11, 1884.
Pastor All Souls' Church (Unitarian).

ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH, March 13, 1893; resigned January 1, 1903.
Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

ANDREW McCALLUM, June 4, 1888; died 1891.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOSEPH KAY McCAMMON, October 4, 1880.
Ex-Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department.

SAMUEL SIDNEY McCLURE, October 10, 1892.
Editor *McClure's Magazine.*

M. M. McCOMB, October 6, 1879——

JAMES McCORMICK, February 10, 1902.
Draftsman, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

RICHARD CUNNINGHAM McCORMICK, January 13, 1896; resigned January 1, 1899.
Member of Congress.

JOHN W. McCOY, October 1, 1883; died August, 1889.
Editor.

ARTHUR WILLIAMS McCURDY, February 14, 1898.
Inventor.

MARSHALL McDONALD, January 14, 1884——

JOHN JOSEPH McELHONE, January 10, 1881; died 1890.
Official reporter of debates, U. S. House of Representatives.

W J McGEE, January 12, 1885.
Ethnologist, Smithsonian Institution.

JONAS HARTZELL McGOWAN, November 10, 1902.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOHN EDWARD McGRATH, November 12, 1894.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

FREDERICK BANDERS McGUIRE, November 5, 1883; resigned February 1, 1886; re-elected December 6, 1886; resigned January 1, 1901.
Director Corcoran Art Gallery.

JAMES CLARK McGUIRE, March 4, 1889.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOSEPH DEAKINS McGUIRE, January 14, 1889.
Lawyer; Anthropologist; Washington, D. C.

DAVID R. McKEE, March 7, 1881; resigned July 1, 1890.
Journalist.

WILLIAM ARCHER McKENNEY, April 8, 1895.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES FOLLEN McKIM, October 13, 1902.
Architect, New York City.

RANDOLPH HARRISON McKIM, January 13, 1896.
Rector of Epiphany Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM DUNCAN McKIM, March 11, 1901.
Physician.

GEORGE WILLIAM McLANAHAN, April 9, 1894.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE XAVIER McLANAHAN, October 12, 1903.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

HERSCHEL MAIN, December 18, 1897.
Chief Engineer, U. S. Navy, retired.

GARRICK MALLERY (Founder); died October 24, 1894.
Captain Infantry, U. S. Army, retired; Ethnologist.

CHARLES MATTHEWS MANLY, December 11, 1899.
Expert, Smithsonian Institution.

CHARLES ADDISON MANN, March 7, 1887; died March 12, 1896.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

PARKER MANN, January 6, 1887; resigned July 1, 1890; re-elected March 12, 1894; resigned January 1, 1899.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

VANNOY HARTROG MANNING, December 11, 1893.
U. S. Geological Survey.

JOHN BELKNAP MARCOU, December 3, 1883——

HENRI LOUIS FRANCOIS MARINDIN, January 11, 1886.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

CHARLES LESTER MARLATT, January 8, 1894.
Entomologist in Charge of Experimental Field Work, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM JOHNSTON MARSH, March 11, 1895.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

JAMES RUSH MARSHALL, November 5, 1883.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

HENRY NEWELL MARTIN (Founder); resigned January 5, 1880.
Professor Biology, Johns Hopkins University.

ROBERT H. MARTIN, May 14, 1894; resigned April 12, 1897.

CHARLES FREDERIC MARVIN, November 3, 1890.
Professor of Meteorology, Weather Bureau.

JOSEPH BADGER MARVIN, June 6, 1887; resigned January 1, 1895.
Chief of Division, Patent Office.

OTIS TUFTON MASON (Founder); resigned July 11, 1898.
Ethnologist; Curator, National Museum.

VICTOR LOUIS MASON, May 8, 1899.
Clerk to the Secretary of War; Promoter.

WASHINGTON MATTHEWS, June 2, 1884; resigned January 1, 1900.
Surgeon, U. S. Army, retired; Ethnologist.

PHILIP MAURO, March 12, 1894.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE HEBARD MAXWELL, February 13, 1899.
Executive Chairman National Irrigation Association, Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE COLTON MAYNARD, December 14, 1896.
Electrician, National Museum.

ELWOOD MEAD, February 9, 1903.
Irrigation Engineer.

THOMAS HERBERT MEANS, January 13, 1896.
Assistant, Bureau of Soils, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM ALONZO MEGRATH, February 10, 1902.
Lawyer, New York City.

WILLIAM HARLOW MELVILLE, January 13, 1890; died February, 1893.
Chemist, U. S. Geological Survey.

THOMAS CORWIN MENDENHALL, February 2, 1885.
Superintendent U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey; President Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

WALTER CURRAN MENDENHALL, February 10, 1902.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ANICETO GARCIA MENOCAL, February 4, 1884; resigned November 10, 1884.
Civil Engineer, U. S. Navy.

CLINTON HART MERRIAM, November 1, 1886.
Chief U. S. Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM RUSH MERRIAM, June 12, 1899; resigned June 30, 1900.
Director of the Census.

GEORGE PERKINS MERRILL, February 13, 1893.
Curator Department of Geology, National Museum.

JAMES CUSHING MERRILL, April 13, 1891; died October 27, 1902.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

EDMUND CLARENCE MESSER, June 9, 1902.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM MANUEL MEW (Founder); died September 19, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

ELEAZAR HUTCHINSON MILLER, April 10, 1893; resigned January 1, 1899.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK AUGUSTUS MILLER, March 10, 1902.
Commander, U. S. Navy, retired.

GERRITT SMITH MILLER, Jr., January 12, 1903.
Assistant Curator of Mammals, National Museum.

COSMOS MINDELEFF, June 6, 1887——

VICTOR MINDELEFF, May 7, 1888——

CHARLES SEDGWICK MINOT, March 10, 1902.
Physician, Boston, Mass.

GEORGE MITCHELL, November 14, 1898; died January 2, 1903.
Major Artillery Corps, U. S. Army, retired.

HENRY MITCHELL, January 11, 1886; died December 1, 1902.
Civil Engineer.

ANDREW PHILIP MONTAGUE, February 10, 1896; resigned November 8, 1897.
President Furman University.

GEORGE THOMAS MOORE, May 11, 1903.
Plant Physiologist; Algologist; Department of Agriculture.

CHARLES MOORE, February 9, 1891.
Clerk to Senate Committee on District of Columbia.

HENRY FRANK MOORE, May 9, 1898.
Scientific Assistant, Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

JOHN MOORE, January 10, 1887.
Ex-Surgeon General, U. S. Army, retired.

JOHN BASSETT MOORE, April 4, 1887.
Assistant Secretary of State; Professor of International Law and Diplomacy, Columbia University, New York.

VERANUS ALVA MOORE, May 13, 1895.
Professor Comparative Pathology and Bacteriology, Cornell University.

WILLIS LUTHER MOORE, November 11, 1895.
Chief of Weather Bureau, Department of Agriculture.

JOHN FRANCIS MORAN, April 9, 1900.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

ETHELBERT CARROLL MORGAN, April 5, 1880; died May 5, 1891.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

J. M. MORGAN, June 3, 1889; resigned January 1, 1899.

EDWARD LIND MORSE, October 13, 1902.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

ALONZO TYLER MOSMAN, November 4, 1889.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

MURRAY GALT MOTTER, October 13, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

SAMUEL MULLIKEN, March 1, 1886; died February 1, 1888.
Chief of Division, Patent Office.

CHARLES A. MUNN, January 13, 1890; resigned January 1, 1903.
Capitalist.

CHARLES EDWARD MUNROE, February 6, 1882; resigned January 10, 1885; re-elected December 12, 1892.
Professor of Chemistry, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

JOHN MURDOCH, February 6, 1888; resigned July 1, 1892.
Zoologist; Librarian; Roxbury, Mass.

PATRICK JOSEPH MURPHY, June 7, 1880; died October 3, 1891.
Physician, Columbian Hospital, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM B. NASSAU, January 13, 1896; resigned December 31, 1896.

CHARLES WILLIS NEEDHAM, November 12, 1894.
President Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES PATRICK NEILL, April 9, 1900.
Professor Political Economy, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

EDWARD WILLIAM NELSON, March 6, 1882; resigned December 31, 1883; re-elected November 9, 1903.
Naturalist.

HENRY C. NELSON, February 5, 1883; died March 10, 1893.
Medical Inspector, U. S. Navy.

JOHN NELSON, December 13, 1897.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

FRANCIS M. NESMITH, February 14, 1898; resigned January 1, 1902.
Physician, Garfield Memorial Hospital, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES NEWBOLD, March 3, 1884; resigned January 10, 1885.

THOMAS EARP NEWBOLD, February 8, 1892; resigned January 1, 1893.
Clerk to District Commissioner.

HARRY TURNER NEWCOMB, November 13, 1899.
Division of Statistics, Department of Agriculture.

SIMON NEWCOMB, October 4, 1880.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy, retired; Scientist; Astronomer.

FREDERICK HAYNES NEWELL, January 13, 1890.
Chief Division of Hydrography, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY HOBART NICHOLS, February 10, 1902.
Artist; Paleontologic Draftsman, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES NORDHOFF, January 12, 1880; resigned April 2, 1883; re-elected May 7, 1888; died July 14, 1901.
Author. Journalist.

BASIL NORRIS (Founder); resigned January 10, 1885.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

THADDEUS NORRIS, December 10, 1894; resigned October 11, 1897.

SIMON NEWTON DEXTER NORTH, October 9, 1899.
Director, U. S. Census.

CHARLES CROSBY NOTT, February 7, 1887; resigned January 1, 1892.
Chief Justice Court of Claims.

CROSBY STUART NOYES, May 5, 1884.
Editor *Evening Star,* Washington, D. C.

THEODORE WILLIAMS NOYES, November 7, 1887.
Associate Editor *Evening Star,* Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM ALBERT NOYES, October 12, 1903.
Chemist.

ROBERT LINCOLN O'BRIEN, January 9, 1899.
Journalist, Washington, D. C.

HERBERT GOUVERNEUR OGDEN, Sr., December 2, 1889.
Inspector of Hydrography and Topography, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HERBERT GOUVERNEUR OGDEN, Jr., March 11, 1901.
Patent Lawyer.

FREDERICK ERSKINE OLMSTED, January 13, 1902.
Agent, Bureau of Forestry, Department of Agriculture.

HENRY FAIRFIELD OSBORN, March 12, 1894.
Professor Zoology, Columbia University, New York.

WILFRED HUDSON OSGOOD, December 9, 1901.
Division of Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture.

JOSEPH H. OUTHWAITE, February 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1893.
Member of Congress from Ohio.

ROBERT LATHAM OWEN, March 13, 1899.
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

WILLIAM HENRY OWEN, January 14, 1895.
Civil Engineer, Q. M. Department, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT LAWRENCE PACKARD, (Founder)——

HARVEY L. PAGE, February 2, 1880——

JAMES PAGE, April 10, 1899.
Nautical Expert, Hydrographic Office, Navy Department.

LOGAN WALTER PAGE, June 10, 1901.
Chemist, Bureau of Chemistry, Department of Agriculture.

THOMAS NELSON PAGE, March 11, 1895.
Author, Washington, D. C.

ALAJOS PAIKERT, October 14, 1901; resigned January 1, 1903.

RICHARD EDES PAIRO, December 8, 1890.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

THEODORE SHERMAN PALMER, December 9, 1895.
Assistant Biologist, Department of Agriculture.

WALTER PARIS, May 7, 1883; resigned January 1, 1885.
Artist.

JOHN GRUBB PARKE (Founder); resigned January 1, 1880.
Colonel, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

EDWARD WHEELER PARKER, January 14, 1901.
Statistician, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOSEPH BENSON PARKER, May 9, 1898; resigned July 1, 1901.
Medical Director, U. S. Navy.

PETER PARKER, April 4, 1887; resigned December 31, 1889.

CHARLES WELLMAN PARKS, January 9, 1893.
Civil Engineer, U. S. Navy.

FRANCIS HENRY PARSONS, December 13, 1897.
Assistant Custodian Smithsonian Deposit, Library of Congress.

WILLIAM ORDWAY PARTRIDGE, May 14, 1894.
Sculptor.

STEWART PATON, March 9, 1903.
Johns Hopkins University.

JOHN DEWHURST PATTEN, May 8, 1893.
National Bank Attorney, Washington, D. C.

ALBERT CLARK PATTERSON, May 13, 1895; resigned December 31, 1896.
Physician, Government Hospital for the Insane.

HENRY MARTYN PAUL, May 5, 1890.
Professor of Mathematics, U. S. Navy.

GEORGE FOSTER PEABODY, June 6, 1896.
Banker, New York.

ALBERT CHARLES PEALE, October 1, 1883.
Aid, Section of Paleobotany, National Museum.

RAYMOND ALLEN PEARSON, January 11, 1897.
Assistant, Dairy Division, Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE PECK (Founder); resigned November 7, 1881.
Medical Director, U. S. Navy.

HENRY EDWARD PELLEW, April 4, 1887; resigned January 1, 1900.

WILLIAM LORENZO PENFIELD, May 14, 1900.
Solicitor, Department of State.

RICHARD ALEXANDER FULLERTON PENROSE, Jr., February 4, 1889; resigned October 11, 1897.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

EDMUND TAYLOR PERKINS, February 4, 1889.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

FRANK WALLEY PERKINS, March 7, 1881.
Assistant to Superintendent, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HENRY CLEVELAND PERKINS, April 10, 1899.
Mining Engineer, Washington, D. C.

HARRY OTIS PERLEY, November 14, 1892; resigned January 1, 1894.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PETERS, March 9, 1903.
Chief Clerk, Navy Department.

WILLIAM JOHN PETERS, February 4, 1889.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

IVAN PETROFF, February 7, 1881; resigned November 2, 1885.
Statistician of Alaska, Census Office.

CHARLES PAUL ERNEST PEUGNET, April 14, 1902.
Architect.

W. W. PHELAN, January 9, 1899——

WILLIAM FOWKE RAVENEL PHILLIPS, May 11, 1903.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

W. HALLETT PHILLIPS, November 1, 1886; died 1897.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WALTER P. PHILLIPS, February 6, 1882; resigned January 16, 1888.

JOSIAH PIERCE, Jr., December 2, 1889; resigned January 1, 1900.
Civil Engineer, Washington, D. C.

ULYSSES GRANT BAKER PIERCE, December 9, 1901.
Pastor All Souls' Church (Unitarian), Washington, D. C.

THEODORE WELLS PIETSCH, March 10, 1902.
Designer, Office Supervising Architect, Treasury Department.

JAMES CONSTANTINE PILLING, June 2, 1879; died July 26, 1895.
Ethnologist, Bureau of Ethnology.

GIFFORD PINCHOT, November 8, 1897.
Forester, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM MUNDY POINDEXTER, October 1, 1883.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES LOUIS POLLARD, June 11, 1900.
Botanist; Curator Division of Botany, National Museum.

JOHN ADDISON PORTER, April 7, 1884; resigned December 3, 1888.
Clerk to Senate Committee.

R. R. PORTER, May 3, 1880——

GEORGE BROWNE POST, June 8, 1903.
Architect.

JOHN WESLEY POWELL (Founder); died September 23, 1902.
Director Bureau of Ethnology, and of U. S. Geological Survey.

WILLIAM BRAMWELL POWELL, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1901.
Educator, Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK PERRY POWERS, January 10, 1887; resigned January 7, 1889.
Journalist.

LOUIS AUGUSTUS PRADT, March 11, 1901.
Assistant Attorney General.

JOHN FRANCIS PRATT, October 14, 1895.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

DANIEL WEBSTER PRENTISS, April 5, 1880; died November 19, 1899.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

DANIEL WEBSTER PRENTISS, May 11, 1903.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

FRANK PRESBREY, December 12, 1892; resigned July 1, 1894.
Manager of *Public Opinion,* Washington, D. C.

PHILIP MAXWELL PRESCOTT, April 9, 1894.
Episcopal Clergyman.

ERASMUS DARWIN PRESTON, December 3, 1888; resigned July 1, 1901.
Editor, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

ROBERT LEE PRESTON, December 10, 1900.
Principal University School, Washington, D. C.

OVERTON WESTFELDT PRICE, January 13, 1902.
Assistant Chief, Forestry Division, Department of Agriculture.

HENRY SMITH PRITCHETT (Founder); resigned January 1, 1880; re-elected December 13, 1897.
Superintendent U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey; President Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

JOHN ROBERT PROCTER, February 12, 1894; died December 12, 1903.
Civil Service Commissioner.

WILLIAM HENRY PULSIFER, March 12, 1900.

RAPHAEL PUMPELLY, June 3, 1889; resigned January 1, 1894.
Author; Geologist; Newport, R. I.

GEORGE ROCKWELL PUTNAM, January 9, 1893.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HERBERT PUTNAM, May 8, 1899.
Librarian of Congress.

FREDERIC BENNETT PYLE, February 12, 1900.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

WALLACE RADCLIFFE, December 9, 1895.
Pastor New York Ave. Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C.

JACKSON HARVEY RALSTON, January 13, 1902.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOHN HALL RANKIN, April 14, 1902.
Architect, Philadelphia, Penna.

JOHN McCLURE RANKIN, March 14, 1892.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK LESLIE RANSOME, January 9, 1899.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

RICHARD RATHBUN, December 3, 1883.
Assistant Secretary Smithsonian Institution.

WILLIAM DE CHASTIGNIER RAVENEL, October 11, 1897.
Assistant, Div. Fish Culture, Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

GEORGE LANSING RAYMOND, April 11, 1898.
Professor of Esthetics, Princeton University.

C. H. READ, February 4, 1884——

WALTER REED, November 13, 1893; died November 23, 1902.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

IRA REMSEN, (Founder); resigned January 9, 1882.
President Johns Hopkins University.

EDWARD IRELAND RENICK, June 13, 1898; died April 2, 1900.
Chief Clerk Department of State.

JOHN HENRY RENSHAWE, June 7, 1880.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOSEPH JONES REYNOLDS, June 7, 1886; died February 25, 1899.
Colonel, Cavalry, U. S. Army.

JOHN MERRIAM REYNOLDS, April 9, 1894.
Ex-Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

ALLEN THORNDIKE RICE, February 3, 1879——

JOSEPH MAYER RICE, December 13, 1897.
Editor *Forum*, New York.

WILLIAM GORHAM RICE, December 14, 1896.
Civil Service Commissioner.

EDGAR RICHARDS, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1892.
Chemist, Internal Revenue Bureau, Treasury Department.

ALONZO BLAIR RICHARDSON, October 8, 1900; died June 27, 1903.
Superintendent Government Hospital for the Insane.

CHARLES WILLIAMSON RICHARDSON, December 14, 1896.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

CLIFFORD RICHARDSON, October 4, 1886; resigned January 7, 1889.
Expert Chemist in Asphalt and Bitumen.

FRANCIS ASBURY RICHARDSON, December 12, 1898.
Journalist, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE BURR RICHARDSON, June 9, 1902.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

STEPHEN OLIN RICHEY, June 7, 1880; resigned January 1, 1886.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOHN LIVZY RIDGWAY, April 8, 1895.
Draftsman in charge of Division of Illustrations, U. S. Geological Survey.

ELISHA FRANCIS RIGGS, April 5, 1886.
Banker, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES VALENTINE RILEY (Founder); died September 14, 1895.
Entomologist, Department of Agriculture.

DENIS MATTHEW RIORDAN, March 14, 1898.
Mining Engineer, San Francisco, Cal.

HOMER PETER RITTER, June 13, 1892.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HENRY CLAY RIZER, February 12, 1894.
Chief Clerk, U. S. Geological Survey.

ARTHUR CARR ROBERTS, February, 10, 1896.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

ELLIS HENRY ROBERTS, January 10, 1898.
Treasurer of the United States.

GEORGE EVAN ROBERTS, October 14, 1901.
Director of the Mint.

BEVERLY HOLCOMBE ROBERTSON, October 4, 1886; resigned July 1, 1890.

GEORGE MAXWELL ROBESON, March 5, 1883; resigned December 22, 1886.
Secretary of the Navy.

H. A. ROBINSON, November 12, 1894——

SAMUEL ADAMS ROBINSON, February 13, 1899.
Physician.

WILLIAM PITT ROBINSON, March 9, 1896.
Capitalist.

MILES ROCK, (Founder); died January 29, 1901.
Astronomer.

WILLIAM WOODVILLE ROCKHILL, March 9, 1903.
Director Bureau American Republics.

JAMES RODMAN, December 9, 1895; died January 10, 1902.
Physician, Hopkinsville, Ky.

HENRY GUSTAVE ROGERS, February 4, 1884; resigned January 1, 1900.

EDWARD BENNETT ROSA, November 10, 1902.
Physicist, Bureau of Standards.

JOSEPH NELSON ROSE, April 10, 1893.
Assistant Curator, Department of Botany, National Museum.

MILTON JOSEPH ROSENAU, December 8, 1902.
Passed Assistant Surgeon, Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.

JOHN ROSS, November 11, 1901.
Nautical Expert, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

ABBOT LAWRENCE ROTCH, June 8, 1891.
Meteorologist, Blue Hill Meteorological Observatory.

LEO STANTON ROWE, November 11, 1901.
Assistant Professor Political Science, University of Penn.

HENRY AUGUSTUS ROWLAND, (Founder); resigned November 7, 1887.
Professor of Physics, Johns Hopkins University.

STERLING RUFFIN, May 9, 1898.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

PHILIP G. RUSSELL, January 11, 1897; died July 21, 1900.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

THOMAS RUSSELL, March 1, 1886; resigned January 1, 1894.
Assistant Professor Meteorology, Signal Service, U. S. Army.

MELANCTHON L. RUTH, November 1, 1886; resigned December 5, 1887.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

FRANK ROY RUTTER, April 13, 1903.
Department of Agriculture.

DANIEL ELMER SALMON, March 3, 1884.
Chief Bureau Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.

WILLIAM SALOMON, April 12, 1897.
Banker, New York.

ALBERT TITUS SALTER, April 1, 1889.

HENRY YATES SATTERLEE, April 13, 1903.
Bishop of Washington, Protestant Episcopal Church.

JOHN SAVARY, April 6, 1885.

RUFUS SAXTON, May 6, 1889; resigned December 31, 1891.
Colonel, Assistant Q. M. General, U. S. Army, retired.

LAURENCE FREDERICK SCHMECKEBIER, December 9, 1901.
Assistant Editor, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES SCHUCHERT, January 14, 1895.
Assistant Curator, National Museum.

EUGENE AMANDUS SCHWARZ, May 6, 1889.
Entomological Investigator, Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE FREDERIC SCHWARZ, February 10, 1902.
Field Assistant, Bureau of Forestry, Department of Agriculture.

EMIL ALEXANDER DE SCHWEINITZ, January 14, 1889.
Director Biochemic Laboratory, Department of Agriculture.

CARL SCHURZ SCOFIELD, February 10, 1902.
Botanical Expert, Department of Agriculture.
GEORGE WINFIELD SCOTT, June 8, 1903.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
WILLIAM HENRY SEAMAN, January 10, 1887.
Examiner, Patent Office.
GEORGE MARY SEARLE, April 7, 1890; resigned January 1, 1894.
Professor Astronomy, Catholic University, Washington, D. C.
C. W. SEATON, June 7, 1880——
FRANK SEWALL, November 3, 1890.
Pastor Church of the New Jerusalem, (Swedenborgian,) Washington, D. C.
GEORGE DUDLEY SEYMOUR, February 8, 1897.
Patent Lawyer, New Haven, Conn.
HENRY ALBERT SEYMOUR, December 4, 1882.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
NATHANIEL SOUTHGATE SHALER, June 2, 1885.
Dean Lawrence Scientific School, and Professor Geology, Harvard University.
AURELIUS RIVES SHANDS, May 12, 1902.
Physician, Washington, D. C.
SAMUEL SHELLABARGER, March 2, 1881; resigned April 21, 1884.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.
SETH SHEPARD, May 11, 1903.
Associate Justice Supreme Court District of Columbia.
J. E. SHERMAN, January 12, 1880——
FRANK CHARLES SHRADER, April 12, 1903.
Geologist.
ROBERT WILSON SHUFELDT, November 4, 1889; resigned January 1, 1895.
Rear Admiral U. S. Navy.
ROBERT WILSON SHUFELDT, October 3, 1881——
WILLARD ADAMS SHUMWAY, March 3, 1884; resigned January 8, 1886.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.
DANIEL KERFOOT SHUTE, April 11, 1892.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

THOMAS WATSON SIDWELL, January 13, 1890.
Educator, Washington, D. C.

HOWARD SILL, November 14, 1892.
Civil Engineer.

WILLIAM SIMES, June 8, 1903.

FRANK DARIUS SIMONS, June 8, 1903.
Chemist, Treasury Department.

CEPHAS HEMPSTONE SINCLAIR, June 10, 1895.
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

JOHN CRAYKE SINCLAIR, November 3, 1879——

H. C. SLOGGETT, March 4, 1889; resigned December 31, 1889.
Physician.

CHARLES SMART, June 4, 1883; resigned January 8, 1886.
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

CHARLES WESLEY SMILEY, November 7, 1887.
Publisher, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE FREDERICK CUMMING SMILLIE, February 10, 1896.
Engraver, Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

THOMAS WILLIAM SMILLIE, June 4, 1888.
Photographer, National Museum.

EDWIN SMITH (Founder).
Assistant, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

ERWIN F. SMITH, March 9, 1891.
Plant Pathologist, Department of Agriculture.

GEORGE OTIS SMITH, March 12, 1900.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

GOLDWIN SMITH, November 14, 1892; resigned January 1, 1900.
Author, Toronto, Canada.

HUGH McCORMICK SMITH, October 12, 1903.
Ichthyologist.

JARED GAGE SMITH, October 9, 1899; resigned July 1, 1901.
Special Agent, Office Experiment Stations, Dept. Agriculture.

JOHN BERNHARD SMITH, February 1, 1886; resigned July 1, 1889.
Assistant, National Museum.

JOSEPH ADAMS SMITH (Founder); resigned December 31, 1890.
Pay Inspector, U. S. Navy.

ROLAND COTTON SMITH, May 11, 1903.
Rector St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

ALPHEUS HENRY SNOW, February 12, 1900.
Author; Lawyer.

WILLIAM TAYLOE SNYDER, November 5, 1888; resigned July 1, 1891.
Rector Church of the Incarnation (Episcopal), Washington, D. C.

THORVALD SOLBERG, November 8, 1897.
Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress.

JOHN KERFOOT SOUTHER, January 8, 1900.
Artist, Washington, D. C.

ELLIS SPEAR, May 11, 1896.
Ex-Commissioner of Patents; Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOHN CRAWFORD SPEAR (Founder); resigned October 14, 1886.
Medical Inspector, U. S. Navy.

ARTHUR COE SPENCER, December 12, 1898.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE L. SPENCER, May 4, 1885; resigned January 1, 1895.

J. C. SPILLER, April 3, 1882; resigned December 31, 1882.

AINSWORTH RAND SPOFFORD, January 14, 1884; resigned January 7, 1889.
Librarian, Library of Congress.

WILLIAM MERCER SPRIGG, February 13, 1899.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOSIAH EDWARD SPURR, April 13, 1903.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE OWEN SQUIER, January 8, 1900.
Major, Signal Corps, U. S. Army.

JOSEPH STANLEY-BROWN, October 3, 1881; resigned January 10, 1885; re-elected May 14, 1894.
Assistant Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOSHUA OTIS STANTON, January 10, 1881; resigned January 1, 1883.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

TIMOTHY WILLIAM STANTON, January 8, 1894.
Paleontologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ROBERT STEAD, June 4, 1888.
Architect, Washington, D. C.

ROBERT EDWARDS CARTER STEARNS, December 1, 1884; resigned July 1, 1891.
Paleontologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

GEORGE STEIGER, February 11, 1895.
Chemist, U. S. Geological Survey.

EDWARD JAMES STELLWAGEN, June 13, 1892.
President Union Trust and Storage Co., Washington, D. C.

JOHN JAMES STEPHENS, January 14, 1895.
Office Auditor War Department.

GEORGE MILLER STERNBERG, October 9, 1893.
Ex-Surgeon General, U. S. Army, retired.

JAMES MACBRIDE STERRETT, February 8, 1892.
Professor Philosophy, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

C. A. STETEFELDT, February 4, 1884; resigned January 1, 1892.

CALEB ROCHFORD STETSON, February 13, 1899.
Asst. Rector Chapel Good Shepherd (Episcopal).

GEORGE ROCHFORD STETSON, February 12, 1894; resigned January 1, 1900.
Anthropologist.

WILLIAM MOTT STEUART, October 12, 1903.
Chief Division, Census Office.

MOSES TYLER STEVENS, January 9, 1893.
North Andover, Massachusetts.

JAMES STEVENSON, April 7, 1884; died July 25, 1888.
Executive Officer, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES WARDELL STILES, February 8, 1892.
Zoologist, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.

FRANK RICHARD STOCKTON, February 12, 1900; died April 20, 1902.
Author.

HENRY NEWLIN STOKES, December 2, 1889; resigned December 31, 1892; re-elected November 12, 1894.
Chemist, U. S. Geological Survey.

ALFRED HOLT STONE, February 10, 1902.
Cotton Planter; Student of Historical Research.

ISAAC SCOTT STONE, March 14, 1898.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JOHN KENNEDY STOUT, October 14, 1901.
Department of Commerce and Labor.

SAMUEL WESLEY STRATTON, October 14, 1901.
Director Bureau of Standards.

OSCAR SOLOMON STRAUS, June 11, 1900.
Diplomat.

THOMAS HALE STREETS, December 5, 1881; resigned January 18, 1889.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

HENRY STRONG, December 6, 1886; resigned January 1, 1895.

C. DE STRUVE, January 14, 1884——

CHARLES LYM STURTEVANT, April 10, 1889.
Patent Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

FRANK SUTTON, January 8, 1894.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

HENRY CLAY SWAIN, January 10, 1887; died, March 29, 1893.
Cashier Second National Bank, Washington, D. C.

THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN SWAYZE, May 14, 1900.
Chief Clerk Treasury Department.

WALTER TENNYSON SWINGLE, October 9, 1899; resigned January 1, 1902.
Botanist; Agricultural Explorer, Department of Agriculture.

CHARLES CLINTON SWISHER, November 9, 1896.
Professor American and English History, Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES SUMNER TAINTER, April 3, 1882; resigned January 8, 1886; re-elected November 9, 1891.
Inventor of the Graphophone.

WIRT TASSIN, January 8, 1894.
Chemist and Assistant Curator in charge of Division of Mineralogy, National Museum.

SLEDGE TATUM, March 10, 1902.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

FREDERICK WILLIAM TAYLOR, November 1, 1880; resigned January 1, 1893.
Chemist, National Museum.

HENRY CLAY TAYLOR, January 12, 1880; resigned January 1, 1900.
Captain, U. S. Navy.

JAMES KNOX TAYLOR, January 10, 1898.
Supervising Architect, Treasury Department.

RUFUS HILDRETH THAYER, December 7, 1885.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

H. T. THOMAS, January 11, 1892——

ALMON HARRIS THOMPSON, October 2, 1882.
Geographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

JOHN BARKER THOMPSON, May 9, 1892.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

JOSEPH FORD THOMPSON, November 7, 1881.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM BAKER THOMPSON, June 14, 1897.
Lawyer, Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM SCOTT THOMPSON, March 12, 1900; died September 26, 1901.
Pharmacologist, Washington, D. C.

WARD THORON, February 9, 1889; resigned December 31, 1896; re-elected May 13, 1901.
Auditor, American Security & Trust Co., Washington, D. C.

LYMAN TIFFANY, December 6, 1886; resigned July 1, 1892.

SAMUEL ESCUE TILLMAN (Founder); resigned January 1, 1881.
Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

JOHN WHEELOCK TITCOMB, April 14, 1902.
Office Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

OTTO HILGARD TITTMANN (Founder); resigned December 8, 1880; re-elected December 1, 1884.
Superintendent U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

JOSEPH MEREDITH TONER (Founder); resigned January 1, 1895.
Physician, Washington, D. C.

JAMES WILLIAM TOUMEY, June 12, 1899; resigned January 1, 1902.
Superintendent. Tree-planting Division of Forestry, Department of Agriculture.

OSCAR V. TOUSLEY, November 12, 1900; died July 18, 1902.

CHARLES HASKINS TOWNSEND, October 11, 1897.
Director New York Aquarium, New York.

CLINTON PAUL TOWNSEND, May 11, 1896.
Examiner, Patent Office.

RICHARD W. TOWNSHEND, February 7, 1881; resigned February 2, 1885.
Member of Congress.

COE DOWNING TOWS, March 7, 1887.

WILLIAM LEE TRENHOLM, January 10, 1887; resigned January 1, 1901.
Comptroller of the Currency.

THOMAS CUTHBERT TRESCOTT, March 11, 1895; resigned January 1, 1901.
Assistant Chemist, Department of Agriculture.

ALFRED CHARLES TRUE, April 13, 1896.
Director Experiment Stations, Department of Agriculture.

FREDERICK WILLIAM TRUE, April 3, 1882.
Head Curator, Department of Biology, National Museum.

ALFRED TUCKERMAN, December 9, 1901.
Chemist.

LUCIUS TUCKERMAN, December 5, 1887; died June 10, 1890.

JAMES BRAINERD TAYLOR TUPPER, November 7, 1887.
Chief of Division, Internal Revenue Bureau.

HENRY WARD TURNER, March 3, 1890; resigned July 1, 1896.
Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

THOMAS J. TURNER, (Founder); resigned December 31, 1889.
Medical Director, U. S. Navy.

WILLIAM R. TURNER, May 12, 1902.
Rector St. Michael and All Angels' Church (Episcopal), Washington, D. C.

FRANK TWEEDY, March 2, 1885; resigned January 1, 1901.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

NATHANIEL TYLER, JR., March 13, 1899.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

CHARLES FOX URQUHART, March 11, 1895.
Topographer, U. S. Geological Survey.

FRANK ARTHUR VANDERLIP, October 11, 1897.
Ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Financier.
CHARLES RICHARD VAN HISE, February 3, 1890.
Professor of Geology, University of Wisconsin.
JOHN VAN RENSSELAER, May 14, 1894.
Physician, Washington, D. C.
WILLIAM KNICKERBOCKER VAN REYPEN, March 3, 1884; resigned January 10, 1885.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.
GEORGE TULLY VAUGHAN, March 14, 1898.
Surgeon, Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.
THOMAS WAYLAND VAUGHAN, March 8, 1897.
Geologist and Paleontologist, U. S. Geological Survey.
EMIL C. VER MEULEN, January 14, 1889; resigned December 31, 1889.
Surgeon, U. S. Navy.
HERMAN KNICKERBOCKER VIELE, May 2, 1887; resigned January 1, 1892.
Author; Engineer.
SAMUEL STOCKTON VOORHEES, November 10, 1902.
Engineer of Tests, Office Supervising Architect, Treasury Department.
HERBERT WADSWORTH, November 9, 1903.
ELWOOD O. WAGENHORST, February 9, 1903.
Lawyer.
CHARLES WILLIAM WAIDNER, June 8, 1903.
Physicist, Bureau of Standards.
MERTON BENWAY WAITE, November 13, 1893.
Vegetable Pathologist, Department of Agriculture.
CHARLES DOOLITTLE WALCOTT, June 4, 1883.
Director, U. S. Geological Survey; Secretary Carnegie Institution.
FRANCIS AMASA WALKER, October 6, 1879; resigned January 1, 1882.
Superintendent of the Census.
GEORGE HAROLD WALKER, October 12, 1903.
Assistant Attorney, Department of Justice.
THOMAS FRANCIS WALSH, May 14, 1900.
Capitalist; Mining Engineer; Washington, D. C.
LESTER FRANK WARD (Founder).
Paleontologist, U. S. Geological Survey; Author.

SAMUEL G. WARD, March 7, 1887; resigned December 31, 1890.

B. H. WARDER, April 5, 1888; died, January 13, 1894.
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DAVID WILLIAMS, June 8, 1903.
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